

Benning's Italian War Prisoners Celebrate Capitulation With Mass

The entire complement of eight hundred Italian prisoners of war, interned at Fort Benning Sunday celebrated a Te Deum mass, offering of Thanksgiving, to mark the capitulation of their homeland to the Allies and also to express their gratitude for the good treatment they have received as prisoners of war.

The request for the mass was made by the prisoners themselves last Wednesday, the day they arrived and the

day that peace between America and Italy was announced here. The Rev. Roderick MacEachen, who was assigned to the Vatican in 1918 and is the chaplain at their camp, this morning led them in communion, mass and the singing of Te Deum.

Father MacEachen said that the prisoners, upon their arrival here, said they considered themselves especially fortunate. They embarked on their trip from North Af-

rica on August 15, the date of the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and they arrived at their camp here on September 8, the date of the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. These two occasions are the most important feasts of the Madonna and the prisoners of war said that the coincidence of their traveling dates was symbolic of their good fortune, as prisoners of war.

In the impressive ceremony in their cantonment, a special altar was built by the prisoners of war. One prisoner of war, who was an accomplished craftsman, fashioned a wooden frame for the altar with intricate carvings and woodwork.

On the altar with Father MacEachen were two prisoners of war to serve as altar boys. They led their comrades in prayer and, at several points in the mass, spontaneously prayed audibly "Viva l'America!" The mass of prisoners joined in the chant.

In his sermon to the prisoners of war, Father MacEachen lauded Italy for the role it played for nineteenth centuries spiritually. Father MacEachen told the troops that their country had led the world in that century in works of literature and the arts which "made Italy glorious."

He told the prisoners of war that by their abiding faith in religion that they were bound to resurrect that glory to their freedom would one day come to their homes and families. "Faith shall make you free," the father observed.

The prisoners of war joined in the ceremony at sunrise. They first joined in chanting the Litany of the Blessed Virgin, then celebrated mass and received communion.

Upon completing the mass, the prisoners of war went to their mess halls for a hearty breakfast, enjoying cereal, bacon and eggs, toast and coffee.

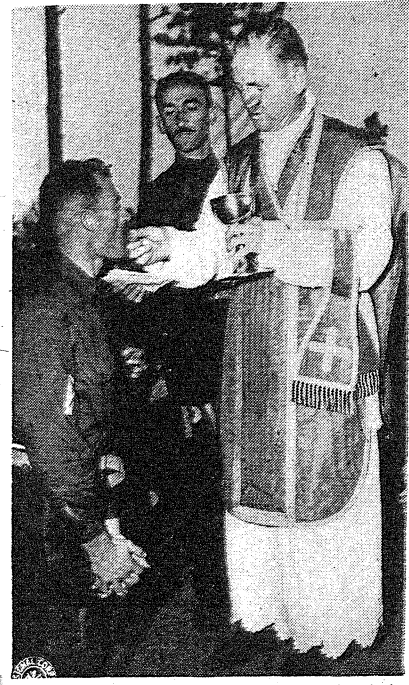
Weekdays the prisoners of war work on farms in this environment, harvesting peanuts to allay the labor shortage.

Although this group of war prisoners arrived only Wednesday, they already have been out harvesting crops.

Father MacEachen, in 1918, was engaged in post graduate

work in Rome. Due to his work in the clergy, which had been commended to the Pope, Father MacEachen was called to the Vatican for an assignment. During the peace conference he served as private secretary to the papal legate to the conference.

He then returned to this country where he joined the theological faculty at the Catholic University of America in Washington.



THE REV. RODERICK MacEACHEN, chaplain of the Italian prisoner of war camp at Fort Benning, is shown above as he performs rites during communion at a Te Deum mass at the camp on Sunday, September 12. The mass was requested by the 800 prisoners of war that they might express their thanks for the good treatment they have received from the Allies and for the peace. U. S. Army Signal Corps photo.)

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Post Infantry Board Shows New Weapons

Bazooka, Anti-Tank Rifle Grenade Get Bickford Premiere

Powerful Arms Do Their Stuff As Movie Cameras Grind Away

Two of the U. S. Army's potent secret weapons, the Bazooka and the antitank rifle grenade, made their public debuts Tuesday afternoon before a battery of newsreel and still cameramen on Bickford Range as the War Department officially lifted the shrouds of secrecy which surrounded the two weapons since their invention.

Fort Benning's famed Infantry Board, which is charged by the War Department with studying organization, technique, and equipment of Infantry troops, staged a three-hour demonstration for the press and high ranking Benning officers. Among the spectators at the show were Maj. Gen. Leven C. Allen, commander of the Infantry School, and Brig. Gen. George P. Weems, assistant commander, who are ex-officio members of the Infantry Board.

During the realistic demonstration, the Bazooka, "ugly duckling" among the Infantry's weapons, and the rifle grenade pulverized formidable targets and proved the versatility of the weapons as capable defense for the individual infantryman against tanks or as anti-personnel weapons.

GO THROUGH PACES Five newsreel and five still photographers recorded the battle-like demonstration for pictorial presentation of the weapons to the public. As the cameramen made their "shots," demonstration troops of the 17th Infantry Regiment, under the direction of the Infantry Board, put the two weapons through their paces.

Prior to the actual demonstration, Colonel Ingomar M. Oseth, director of the Infantry Board presented a chronological story of the development of various types of weapons for anti-tank defense.

"Ever since the armored tank became a factor in warfare, the Infantry has dreamed of an individual weapon, light enough to be carried and operated by the individual doughboy and yet pow-

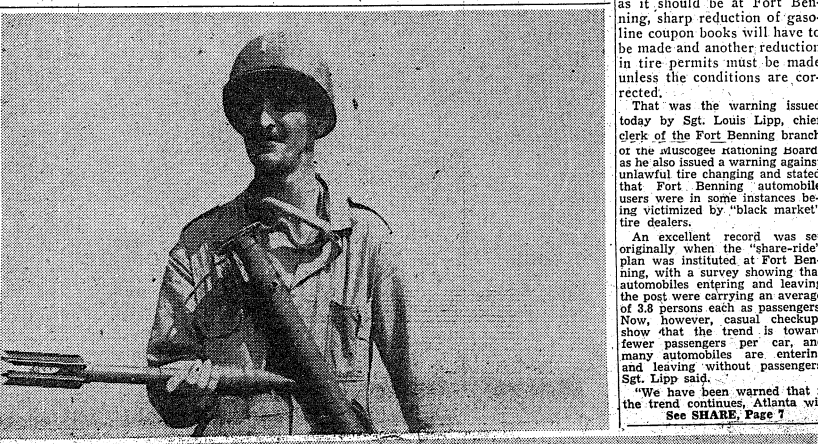
erful enough to defeat the armor of hostile tanks at close range," Col. Oseth declared.

Col. Oseth described the individual anti-tank rifle which the Germans had developed during World War I, that was capable of dealing with tanks at that time.

After tracing the need for a more potent projectile to use against armor plated vehicles, Col. Oseth described the U. S. Army's antitank rifle grenade.

Although this type of grenade, which is adaptable to either the Springfield or Garand rifles or the carbine, has been used in Benning problems for some time, it was now being officially demonstrated.

SECRET NO LONGER are these two deadly weapons now in the hands of doughboys from Italy to Salama. Bottom, a picked squad of "rifle grenadiers" from the 176th Infantry poised to fire a salvo of the new grenade which may be launched with a simple attachment from any rifle; at the top, Lt. Kenneth Sheldon, "rocketeer," shows the famous "Bazooka" and its rocket-tailed projectile, an anti-tank weapon designed to put foot soldiers on a parity with modern "armor." Photographs by U. S. Army Signal Corps.



All-Benning Cast to Be Seen in 'Cat and Canary'

Who killed lawyer Roger Crosby? Who is the homicidal maniac known as the "Cat"? Who will inherit the wealthy estate of Cyrus West when the twenty-year old will is read to the six surviving relatives? All these mysteries and many more will be answered tonight and Friday when an All-Benning cast is presented in the Columbus Civic Theater's production of the famed murder comedy, "The Cat and the Canary," at the Chase Playhouse, 220 Tenth St. in downtown Columbus.

WAR BOND SHOW "The show had its premiere last night before a swanky Columbus audience which turned out for a War Bond benefit, admission being a \$25 war savings bond per person.

Tonight and tomorrow night for a half-price admission ticket of twenty-five cents, all men in uniform will be admitted. This reduced price for soldiers was put in effect by the Civic Theater so that large groups of Benning men might witness the show.

EATON DOES SET "The Cat and the Canary" is the first fall production of the

Columbus theater group which consists of both civilian and military personnel from Fort Benning. Tonight's show, however, is the first one that has been an all-Benning production. Even the sets were done by a soldier, Sgt. James Eaton of the Infantry School.

The mystery melodrama is being directed by Emily McNair Zimbalist, wife of Officer Candidate Efreim Zimbalist, now working for his bars in the 3rd STR of the Infantry School. Mrs. Zimbalist is a well-known Broadway actress who was starred last winter in the USO production of Rose Frankens' "Claudia." The road show played at Benning last December.

ACTIVE INTEREST Since arriving at Benning to be with her husband, Mrs. Zimbalist lent her efforts to the war bond effort, and has also taken an active interest in the Civic Theater. She quickly agreed to take over the director's job for "The Cat and the Canary" when she found that it was to be an All-Benning production.

Playing the lead roles in the show are Mrs. Terry Ryder, wife of the lead actor, and Mr. J. Edgar. See ALL-BENNING, Page 7



He Loads...

He Aims...

Bo-ooo-mmm!!!

Share the Ride Plan at Post Off the Beam

Gas Ration Board Threatens Reduction Of Coupon Books Here

With the "share the ride" plan not working as efficiently as it should be at Fort Benning, sharp reduction of gasoline coupon books will have to be made and another reduction in tire permits must be made unless the conditions are corrected.

That was the warning issued today by Sgt. Louis Lipp, chief clerk of the Fort Benning branch of the Gas Rationing Board, as he also issued a warning against unlawful tire changing and stated that Fort Benning automobile users were in some instances being victimized by "black market" tire dealers.

An excellent record was set originally when the "share-the-ride" plan was instituted at Fort Benning, with a survey showing that automobiles entering and leaving the post were carrying an average of 3.8 persons each as passengers. Now, however, casual checkups show that the trend is toward fewer passengers per car, and many automobiles are entering and leaving without passengers, Sgt. Lipp said.

"We have been warned that if the trend continues, Atlanta will see SHARE, Page 7

Baker Village News

MRS. EUBY YOUNG — PHONE 5233

The Baker Village Nursery school housed in the Administration Building began its fall term on Monday. Any child between the ages of two and six years of age may attend. The hours of school are from 10:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. (EWT). Monday through Friday. A child is given fruit juice and a well-balanced noon meal, and the school has facilities for each child taking his nap.

The tuition for one child is \$3 per week, with reduced rates for more than one child. Mrs. Ray Simpson was hostess at a tea in her home to the Nursery School Mothers' club last Friday. Mrs. Simpson is the club's chairman. Many plans for the improvement of the Nursery school in the coming year were discussed.

For further information about the school, interested parties may call Mrs. Simpson—3-2028; Mrs. Knapp—3-2012; Mrs. Hayes—2-1897.

SUNDAY MASS
For the benefit of the newcomers Mass is held each Sunday morning at 9:15 a. m. in the auditorium at the Administration building. Confessions are heard before Mass.

NURSERY TEA
Tea for all the mothers of the Nursery School will be held next Tuesday, Sept. 21 from 3 to 4:30 p. m. EWT, at the home of Mrs.

W. M. Knapp, 27 Allison Ave. This tea is given in honor of the mothers of the new children in the Nursery School and will give all the mothers, old and new, a chance to get acquainted.

Miss Ann Wade of Columbus will be at the Recreation room in the Administration building on Tuesday, Sept. 21, at 2 o'clock (EWT) to meet with any of the mothers who would be interested in piano lessons for their children. Anyone interested but unable to attend this meeting can contact Miss Wade by phoning 7170 or by seeing Mrs. Lutz at the Recreation office.

There is quite a demand for girls to keep children for mothers. We have a list on file at the Recreation office but it is not sufficient to take care of the number of calls we have. If there are other girls who have not registered with us, and would like to do so, we would like to hear from them. Sign up at the Recreation Dept.

We are happy to welcome the following newcomers: 1st Lt. and Mrs. J. E. Finnegan, 28 Court; 2nd Lt. and Mrs. Jordan E. Scott, 48 Fox; 2nd Lt. and Mrs. John O. Fitzsimmons, 103 Court; 2nd Lt. and Mrs. Wm. J. Peterson, Jr., 45 Court; Mr. and Mrs. Allen T. Davis, 24 B; Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin J. Stevens, 20; St. Sgt. and Mrs. Harry B. Hartman, Jr., 47 B; Master Sgt. Quinton D. Davis, 12 A; Mrs. Cola Allen O'Neill and family, 28 D; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jackson, 18 D; Sgt. and Mrs. John H. Lockamy, 6 A; St. Sgt. and Mrs. Roy Entreen, 142 D; Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Watkins, 109 B; Mr. and Mrs. Estle T. Hampton, 14 A; St. Sgt. and Mrs. Melvin Phelps, 30 B; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ford 85 W.

FAREWELL SHOWER
Mrs. C. W. McIlwain of 109 D has left the village to join her husband at Fort Knox, Ky. She says she has enjoyed living here and would like her friends to know how much she has appreciated them.

A handkerchief shower was given for Mrs. McIlwain in the home of Mrs. Randle. Mrs. Cooper rendered some lovely vocal and piano solos. Games were also enjoyed. A two course luncheon was served of which everyone expressed good wishes to Mrs. McIlwain and many new friends in Kentucky.

STORE SHOWER
On Wednesday, September 8 a store shower was held in the Recreation room in honor of Mrs. Gill. The afternoon was spent in a program of games in keeping with the party, opening of gifts and serving of a delightful lunch. The following ladies were present: Mesdames Herman Weinstein; George Berner; Thomas Gloystein; Harry Hartman; W. Rotari and daughter Judith; J. C. K. R. H. Sutt; William Simovitz; C. Culbreth; J. H. Hall; J. K. Glaze; W. W. Maloney; M. C. Shivers; L. L. Maxey; H. G. Lutz; C. Davis; and guest of honor, Mrs. Gill.

RECREATION ROOM
The Recreation Department would like to inform the residents of Baker Village and Benning Park that the Recreation room and game room have been redecorated and furnished, and are available to you for small parties. You are invited to visit these rooms to see what is available to you. The auditorium is also available for large parties and may be secured by contacting either Mrs. Young or Mrs. Lutz.

GIRL SCOUTS
The Girl Scouts are very busy these days with a new project of selling Christmas cards in which to build up their treasury to enable them to get necessary scout equipment. They have secured quite a number of sales to date and are hoping for many more. They are asking the residents to cooperate with them in this activity. Any girl who sells ten boxes of these cards is entitled to a year's subscription of the American Girl Scout Magazine.

The Bingo party held on Saturday, Sept. 4 was well attended and proved successful. These bingo parties are held the first Saturday night of each month. Mark the date on your calendar and plan to come out for an evening of fun. Rosters and other announcements will be given out to remind you of the next one to be held October 2.



BRIG. GEN. WALTER S. FULTON, commanding general, Fort Benning, pinning the service ribbon on Cpl. Orsalina DeFilippo, daughter of Mrs. Emanuela DiFilippo, of 39 Mount, Fort street, Portland, Maine. A special formation was held at Gordon Field Sunday for the presentation of these moss green and gold service ribbons to more than 100 WACs of the detachment, Station Complement, Section One. (U. S. Army Signal Corps photo.)

Personnel Expert Serves First Student Regiment

'Right Man In Right Job' Is Motto Of Lieut. Labelle

"The right man in the right job" is, for 1st Lieutenant Henry A. Labelle, classification officer of the 1st Student Training Regiment, The Infantry School, a goal worth bending every effort to attain.

Ever since graduating from the University of New Hampshire over seven years ago, he has devoted himself wholeheartedly to the science of personnel placement. Men, after all, are the basis of any organization, and Lieutenant Labelle's wealth of experience as a civilian and military classification specialist is in no small degree responsible for the efficient performance of the 2,700-odd enlisted students and cadre who make up the 1st S. T. R.

Almost immediately after taking the oath that makes him a member of the armed forces, each new soldier is thoroughly interviewed as to his education and civilian experience, and given tests to determine his mechanical aptitude and how quickly he can learn. These findings are entered on the individual's qualification card which, together with his service record, accompany the man throughout his Army career. Through additional training, the recruit acquires new skills, which are duly entered on his card. These qualifications determine the soldier's first assignment and later re-assignments.

CONTINUOUS EYEING
As long as he is in uniform, a man is continually classified and reclassified. Accuracy of this classification often determines the outcome of a man's career. Men found to have low scores are taken in hand for individual help, so that many students who might otherwise "wash out" become capable radio operators or motor mechanics.

Units within or without the 1st S. T. R. frequently call for the services of a student with some particular occupational skill, or entertainment ability, or familiarity with one or more foreign languages—merely a few of the endless requests received. The Classification Section then searches its files, followed by the services of a student with some particular occupational skill, or entertainment ability, or familiarity with one or more foreign languages—merely a few of the endless requests received.

Finally, when a student completes his training at The Infantry School, this fact is fully recorded on his qualification card. When the soldier gets back to his home organization, he can then be placed in the job that makes best use of the new skills he has learned at Fort Benning.

SCIENTIFIC SELECTION
A similar process of scientific selection is followed whenever the 1st S. T. R. needs a replacement to perform one of the intricate tasks that are the duty of its permanent cadre. After a careful study of qualification cards and service records, Lieutenant Labelle or one of his trained assistants interviews each man

under consideration. How long was he employed at his civilian occupation? Did he like the work? How much money did he make at it?—the answers to such questions indicate a man's skill on his job. Personal interviews also bring out such important factors as personality, health, and appearance, which, written records can barely convey. Final decisions are made only on the basis of thorough research into each individual case.

Assigned and student officers at the 1st S. T. R. likewise have their qualification cards—the "Form 66-1"—which must be kept up to date. From these records, Lieutenant Labelle has assembled a "rare bird" file—of officers skilled in German, or Japanese, or slave languages, or in judo or jiu-jitsu, or jungle warfare, or one thousand and one other special hobbies, occupa-

Service Club No. 1 Reopens On Friday

Service Club No. 1 on the Main Post will reopen tomorrow at 12 o'clock noon. Miss Mary Farmer, director of the club, has announced that the Garrison Library and the Service Club Canteen, however, are still open. The club was closed at 9 o'clock Tuesday night for the purpose of renovation and repairs in the main lounge and other parts of the building not including the library and canteen.

300TH PARADES

All units of the 300th Infantry participated in a regimental parade on the review field Wednesday, Sept. 15. The newly acquired regimental colors, a background of Infantry blue with the arms of the United States in gold as a centerpiece, made their first appearance.

When a call came for officers to fill important but difficult assignments as mountain or ski-troop leaders, linguists, special service officers, or generals' aides, the Classification Section prepared a brief but complete description of each outstanding officer candidate. On the basis of these qualifications, selections were made.

CLASSIFICATION: WISE
Lieutenant Labelle has given the section he heads not only an unmatched infectious enthusiasm for classification, but also the advantage of his long, thorough training in that field. After a year as placement and guidance counsel for young folk, he served five years as senior registrar for the United States Employment Service in four New Hampshire towns—Manchester, Nashua, Berlin, and Keene. During the course of these activities, Lieutenant Labelle made several intensive job-studies in the field, an opportunity for research afforded few placement specialists.

For a year after entering the Army in March, 1941, he helped fit G.I. round pegs into round holes as a classification sergeant at the busy Fort Devens, Mass., reception center. Receiving his commission upon completing the officer candidate course at The Infantry School, Fort Benning, in September 1942, Lieutenant Labelle took post-graduate training in classification at The Adjutant General School, Fort Washington, Maryland. He has been with the 1st S. T. R. ever since, becoming a 1st lieutenant on May 28, 1943.

WACs Awarded Service Ribbons

Presentation of service ribbons Sunday to members of the WAC detachment, station complement, Section 1, by Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton, commanding general of Fort Benning, was another milestone in the achievements of the Women's Army corps, first branch of women in the armed forces of World War II, to receive these ribbons.

The moss green and gold service ribbon is in recognition of service rendered before he corps became the Women's Army corps Sept. 1. In special formation on Gordon field, Sunday, Sept. 12, presentation was made to each individual member of the corps eligible to wear this service ribbon by General Fulton. More than 100 WACs received the ribbons at Benning.

First Lt. Jeannette Miller, who has just assumed command of the detachment was one of three officers to receive this medal. Second Lt. Dorothy Phillips and Sergeant Lt. Carolyn Pratt were the other two officers receiving their ribbons from the general.

After presentation of ribbons, to each WAC member the general paused in review before General Fulton and members of his staff, including Col. John B. Egerly, executive officer; Lt. Col. J. D. Rosenberger, Jr., post adjutant, and Lt. Col. C. A. Will, plans and training officer.

Railways Get 1200 New Troop Sleeping Cars

Fifteen hundred specially designed steel troop railroad cars will be added to the nation's rolling stock according to word received by Fort Benning transportation corps authorities.

Of these 1,200 will be troop sleepers, with 3-tier bunks, which folded up during the day into seats, and 300 will be kitchen cars, equipped with latest devices. Both types are designed for maximum light and ventilation, and with minor changes, be converted into freight cars for postwar use. The cars built to Army and Navy specifications will not free sleeping cars for civilian use, but should alleviate the strain on rolling stock, which is reaching a nationwide peak.

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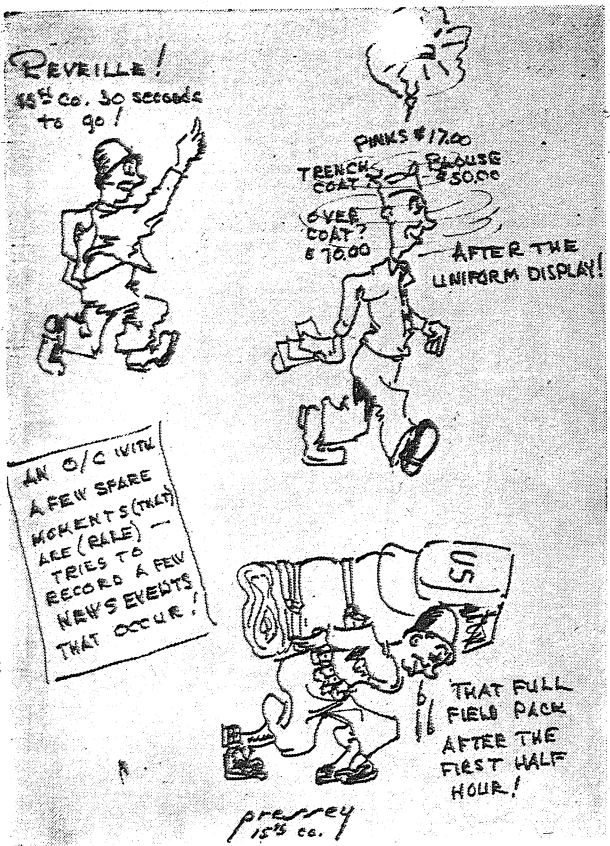
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Company Fund Buys Extra Mess Goodies

Headquarters Company of the First Student Training Regiment, The Infantry School, is setting a fast pace in the "Mess Drive" started by Colonel John S. Roome, regimental commander. Lt. George J. Hopkins, the commanding officer recently assigned to Headquarters Company, is doing wonderful work in improving the food quality and general appearance of the mess hall, and in reducing food wastage.

The men who mess in this company are continually reminded of the necessity of reducing food wastage and it now has become second nature with every man to eat everything he puts on his plate. As we all know, there is nothing a soldier feels more at home than a good, clean mess hall with victuals cooked like "Ma" used to. Headquarters Company has done much to brighten the atmosphere and improve the food. There is enough seasoning, sauces, condiments and other palatable extras on each table to start a grocery store. Special attention is given to the cooking and preparation of the food both by Lt. Hopkins and Lt. Applegate, the mess officer.

The interior of the mess hall was repainted and plans are afoot to paint the stools all one color. Every meal hour, a radio keeps the men entertained with dance programs or news reports.

Typical of the meals they receive is the one the men had the other day. Each soldier had one-half fried chicken (not one was less than three-quarters of a pound), a salad, iced water and grape drink, lima beans, giblet gravy, peas, potatoes, topped off by butterscotch dessert with whipped cream.

When asked how he could afford to do all these things to improve the mess hall, Lt. Hopkins had a very sound response which should be heeded by all company commanders.

"What have you got a company fund for?" You know how a soldier likes those extra goodies and a pleasant place in which to eat. Then too, originality and advanced planning of the cooks is one of the primary factors in satisfying the soldier's desire for variety and tasty meals. Our cooks take pride in their work and feel that they've accomplished something if

of every real soldier in making brigadier general.

General Murphy, former G-1 of the Armored Command at Fort Knox, graduated from West Point in 1918, just ten days before the ill-fated armistice was signed ending the last world war. It was 11 months afterward that he made lieutenant while attending Field Artillery School at Ft. Knox, but it was 16 years later before he became captain's bars.

TOURS GLOBE
In the meantime his duties took him virtually on a Cook's tour of the globe. For three years after the last war he served abroad with the 25th Field Artillery Battalion. Again in 1935 he left the country for three years service in Hawaii, only this time with the 25th Infantry division as a captain.

Upon completion of his duties there in 1938 General Murphy was selected to attend the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, from which he was graduated the following year.

He became G-1 of Armored Command Aug. 1, 1941, and served in that capacity until April 15 of this year. Within a year and a half after he was made major (1940) he was promoted to colonel at Fort Knox in 1942.

His welcome to the division in desert training was somewhat of a surprise to this scholarly soldier. Arriving at 7th A. D. Headquarters, he found the commanding general with a military band out to greet him. En route from Armored Command headquarters he had been appointed brigadier general.

Thus, his "homecoming" to the "Lucky 7th" was soon made the occasion for a simple yet impressive star-pinning ceremony carried out against the backdrop of California mountains and scorching sands.

Back at Fort Knox the general (then colonel) had just been hoping for assignment to the 7th because he had watched its double-time activation and progress from Armored Command headquarters. Even then he had great interest in what he believes today is the finest armored division in this country.

LEARNED A LOT
Of his work with the 7th Armored he said recently, "I enjoyed my four months of desert training and found maneuvers very interesting. I got more out of it than the boys did, and I think we both learned a hell of a lot."

This modest, efficient general of 45 is a typical American leader in that he keeps himself in top physical condition. When he has time, he likes to go horseback riding. While stationed at Fort Benning as commanding officer of Co. "A," 33rd Field Artillery, he played the No. 2 position on the post championship polo team of 1929.

It was a Texas company that gave him balance and confidence in the saddle as a boy but he earned the military seat at West Point. The general also enjoys a good game of golf when time permits.

He befits a man who has been a keen student of military science all his life, his favorite indoor



WE APOLOGIZE

In its last issue BAYONET was way out on a limb. Last week, and on page one at that, the BAYONET printed a picture of Vivian, lovely songstress of Phil Spitalny's all-girl Hour of Charm orchestra, which last Sunday dedicated its hymn to the 300th Infantry.

Now that was all right. In fact Vivian (in real life Miss Hollie Shaw) is even better than all right. But we labeled Vivian as Mrs. Frank G. King, wife of Lt. Frank G. King of 200th Infantry. And that's not so. The real Mrs. King is pictured above. She's one of Spitalny's gang (and, thank Heaven, a good friend of Vivian's).

BAYONET'S apologies—with a dash of envy directed at Lt. King who comes out pretty well in the whole thing whatever the solution.

Such accurate shooting left no doubt in Lieutenant McCanna's mind that the Infantry would be his branch of service. After he put the finishing touch on his marksmanship at Fort Benning, he's going out to hunt the biggest game of all.

The human body contains a larger proportion of calcium by weight than any other of the inorganic elements.

Marksman Puts 8 Bullets In Same Hole Of Bull's Eye

Scoring detail on McAndrew Range please note: Next time Second Lt. Robert L. McCanna, of the 11th Company, First Student Training Regiment, fires the M-1 rifle for record, don't waste time scanning the target for the rest of his string of eight shots. The other seven went through the same hole in the center of the bull's eye that his first shot punched.

One of the West Point graduates now taking the basic course at the Infantry School, Lieutenant McCanna gained fame as an outstanding marksman at the Military Academy, which awarded him his varsity "A" in that sport. He fired in every match but one during the 1942 and 1943 seasons and placed third for Army in the Army-Navy match at Annapolis last spring. That time Army out-shot the midshipmen, themselves no mean opponents, by 1389 to 1381.

More than 740 cargo ships were put into service by the United States Maritime Commission in 1942.

ESTIMATED TIME OF ARRIVAL
Before the United States Ninth Air Force B-24 Liberator bomber off for the attack on Ploesti oil refineries in Rumania on August 1, First Lieutenant Stanley D. Werts, of Sioux Falls, S. D., predicted the time the mission would require. Some of the members of the crew talked of starting a pool on it, but the idea was dropped when everyone wanted to bet the way the navigator had prophesied. The Liberator had a rough trip, getting an unexpected pursuit attack after leaving the target, and winding up with only one engine operating and only two and a half gallons of gasoline in the tanks. It landed, however, within two minutes of the time Lieutenant Werts had predicted.

Lt. Lyons Gets Captaincy

First Lieut. John J. A. Lyons, assistant chief of the civilian personnel branch at post headquarters, Fort Benning, has been promoted to the rank of captain. A native of Albany, N. Y., Capt. Lyons also is Army Emergency Relief officer of post headquarters, a position he assumed in September, 1942. As a member of the enlisted reserve of the Army, Capt. Lyons was called to active duty at Fort Benning on December 12, 1940, and served with the 24th Infantry until April, 1942, when he was assigned to post headquarters as assistant adjutant. He was assigned to his present job in February, 1943.

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General Murphy Proves Man's Man for A' That

7th Armored Officer Won Silver Star The Hard Way

It might be the Irish in him, but, as Bobbie Burns put it "A man's a man for all that," which is probably one reason why Brig. Gen. John B. Murphy is one of the best liked and most efficient commanders in the Seventh Armored Division today.

Son of a small town physician and a true soldier for the past 25 years, General Murphy, who is the new leader of the "Lucky 7th's" Combat Command "A," is both respected and admired by men of his command.

Although he entered the army as a second lieutenant from the United States Military Academy at West Point, it's been a long road from a gold bar to the silver star he now wears on his collar and cap. Promotions in the "old army" came rather infrequently, especially in peacetime.

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Pvt. John A. Hanson, whose base voice won him a scholarship at the Chicago Conservatory of Music, besides being an up and coming engineer in the 7th Armored Division, continues to entertain the men as well.

Pvt. Hanson graduated from the Chicago Conservatory of Music in 1935. He has appeared on radio programs both on the C.B.S. and N.B.C. stations in Chicago. He was before his induction a member of Horace Heidt's Glee Club.

Pvt. Hanson is a clerk in the supply room of Headquarters Company, 33rd Armored Engineer Battalion.

His home address is 1136 Shellmire Street, Philadelphia.

It is expected that the nation's requirements for oil will be four and a quarter billion barrels in the first three months of next year.

sport is reading. When interviewed by the division public relations reporter he said he was currently enjoying the second volume of "Lee's Lieutenants," by Douglas Southall Freeman. Aside from Time and Life, Readers Digest, and the daily papers, most of his reading is confined to what he terms "professional stuff" such as field and training manuals.

Like many scholars, the general is also a teacher, having taught at Ohio State University as assistant professor of military science and tactics for half a decade between 1930 and 1935.

It's a well-rounded life this new leader of the "Lucky 7th's" Combat Command "A" has led. Scholar teacher, sportsman and military scientist, . . . he is all of these. But first and foremost Brigadier General John B. Murphy is a soldier . . . and servant of the people.

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Bayonet Observes First Anniversary

With this issue, the BAYONET proudly celebrates the inauguration of its second year of publication as we bring forth Volume 2, Number 1.

In making plans for the BAYONET, we were faced with the tremendous task of representing a great diversity of interests. Unlike many more posts scattered through the length and breadth of the land where the ratio of officer personnel is relatively small, the population of Fort Benning is composed of thousands of officers here to attend refresher and advanced courses in the Infantry School as well as officer candidates seeking their commissions. Then too we boast a huge staff of civilian employees and hundreds of women and children making up the families of officers and enlisted men stationed here. The latter contribute much to the life of the post, and since we are a post newspaper, we have with justification regarded them all as members of our great post family, and their activities have been recorded in the columns of the BAYONET.

While making no attempt to hand ourselves a bouquet of accolades, we are proud of the fact that the BAYONET as come to be regarded, among other things, as a post family newspaper, something of which we could not in the past and cannot in the future lose sight. Our circulation has grown considerably since last September 17, another fact of which we are proud.

We sincerely hope that in the year to come we shall be able to make many improvements which will make the BAYONET a bigger and better post newspaper, adequately and accurately reflecting the current history of all components of Fort Benning. We are open to suggestions and sincerely hope that any and all will come forward with constructive criticism which will help us along toward our objective.

The BAYONET takes this opportunity to voice a note of thanks to all contributors who have been so cooperative in helping us along a road which has had its thorns as well as its roses. With their continued cooperation we know we cannot fail.

King Football Makes His Entry

The Bayonet is pleased to sense that the year is at that gorgeous season when cool mornings warmen by hot noon sun become chilly nights and when the national pastime has an infant competitor for the sporting world's attention.

In plainer words we are expectant of a great gridiron season—a season which promises to show us some fine football games at Fort Benning this year.

What may be lacking in campus razzle-dazzle will certainly be made up by good, clean football play on service fields. The class buzzer will be replaced by the Army bugle, and the familiar "football queens" and co-ed cheering section will not be present for thousands of the nation's grid stars this season, but the game will go on.

When the season opens here at Fort Benning, there will be, however, crowds of cheering soldiers—brothers-in-arms of the football gladiators. And there will be color from the military bands, which will replace the uniforms bedecked and beribboned varsity bands led by majorettes.

Many colleges and universities called off football for the duration last year, and many more have done so already this year.

It is up to the services to keep the game alive, and they are doing it.

Back Is The Hunter, Home From The Hills

We're back from the bivouac, boys, we're back from the bivouac. It's clean covers for us and a shower every night, and beer in the evenings. And we've got the last ant and spider have been shaken from us, but where is that sign pointing to write letters? "Deposit mail here?" We're back from the bivouacs, boys, and we've got those bivouac blues.

We tried and tried, but it's no use. We got back "home" late Saturday night, and we had hopes of losing ourselves—but we got back into our very barracks and we could not lose them. Where are those words at the end of a night patrol problem when you got back to point No. 3, thinking it was point No. 4, and you had a decent prospect of spending the night roaming through the final protective lines of a machine gun section? We're back from the bivouac, boys, and we've got those bivouac blues.

The swimming pool is clear and green at the Officers' Club on Fort Benning—but there's a creek out yonder, and its water is a golden yellow and a rope stretches over the creek. All you have to do is give way to primeval instincts: hands and feet right over the middle of the creek, without any apparent reason to go either forward or backward, until finally you drop blissfully into the yellow waters—preferably with somebody else's rifle slung around your neck. . . . We're back from bivouac, boys, and we've got those bivouac blues.

There is a village over yonder, and we took and retook it, and we got killed in it. And we searched the church and the hotel and the bank and found nothing but old booty traps in either of them. But there was a bar too, and did they let us search the cellar of the bar? They did not. It rains on Agony Hill and what do we do? We go home and get dry. But out there—oh, the pure, unadulterated joy walking for days on end in overalls soaked in nature's own rain. A flat is the road to Norton Court, flat is the

road to the gas chamber, flat even seems the road to Agony Hill. But it's over there, boys, that they've got—"Hills, hills, hills, hills, marching up and down again, and there's no discharge in the war."

We're back from the bivouac boys, and we've got those bivouac blues—maybe.

—Anonymous,
12th Co., 1st S.T.R.

More Bonds Needed To Crush Huns in Italy

Optimistic Americans who expected a lark in Italy after last week's capitulation by the Italian government have been quickly disillusioned by the apparent determination of the German government to resist Allied occupation of the peninsula.

The Nazis' stiff resistance is however, in our opinion, a blessing in disguise to us Americans. It should teach us that we are not going to win this war in a walk, that we are not going to be marching through Berlin by this Christmas, that we are going to shed plenty of blood and sweat, and tears before Italy is completely ours, and that every penny we can scrape together will be needed to back the present and future attacks on Hitler's Europe.

Even the men on the bench . . . the soldiers over here . . . must join in. For while our fellow soldiers are digging, sweating, and bleeding to gain and hold another yard, it's our job to see that they get everything they might need. Nobody is going to want for another tank to support the left flank or a grenade to throw at the enemy. They must get this equipment regardless of what we have to sacrifice at home.

The same day that Italy capitulated, Secretary of Treasury Morgenthau announced plans for a home front push to aid the battle crew . . . the 3rd War Loan Drive—fifteen billion dollars to be raised, largely, in \$18.75 and \$37.50 purchases between September 9 and October 2. Calling on the Army for the first time Secretary of War Stimson announced that the help of every soldier, private to general, was expected, and needed badly. Mere presence in uniform is not enough . . . we must pour both wealth and energy into the scrap.

But Fort Benning soldiers welcome the opportunity. We can lend \$500,000 with ease. Let's give our team another vote of confidence . . . for our buddies overseas . . . make it \$1,000,000. And we'll remember that \$18.75 and \$37.50 purchases are going to win the fight. Give the 3rd War Loan a shove along the way soldier . . . buy an extra war bond today.

Medical Progress Reduces Fatalities

The interval since World War I has brought us many remarkable advances in medicine and surgery, and these advances are now paying our fighting men huge dividends by saving thousands of lives of our wounded in combat throughout our many scattered battlefronts.

Some of these advances are the sulfa drugs, blood plasma and the new anesthetics, which have contributed greatly in the reduction of our war wounded casualties.

Today we have a different type of warfare, where deadlier weapons are used, such as incendiary bombs, bigger and heavier guns, powerful tanks, and faster planes, and these are causing more numerous and more severe wounds than in any previous war.

Aiding our fighting men, is a better organization of our medical forces in the field, and a better and faster evacuation of our wounded with better and faster administration of first aid. This no doubt is also contributing to the saving of thousands of lives.

In the first World War, the fatality rate was 7.7 per cent. Today with more deadlier weapons, used by our enemies we have only a 4 per cent fatality.

In the Solomons, deaths from abdominal wounds were less than 5 per cent, while in previous wars the mortality rate with this type of wound was 50 per cent or higher.

Wound infections and gas gangrene in this war have been relatively infrequent, largely as a result of routine use of the sulfa drugs. Tetanus toxoid now given to all our armed forces before entering battle, has protected our men against this deadly condition contracted by filthy wounds.

Everybody wants to have a world that works. Working together works. Nothing else will.

The politician is primarily concerned with how he's going to come out in the next election. The statesman thinks first of how the nation will make out in the next generation.

The answer to all the people who are burned up about Washington is—more of them on fire for the nation.

There is one thing more important than having a good man in the White House. And that's having a good man in EVERY house.

The post-war world will be just the same as the pre-war world if the post-war people are.

We will have that brave new world when we are brave and new ourselves.

When people are generous to a fault it is usually their own fault they are generous to.

Two's a Team



USO Presents—HOUSING CAMPAIGN, RELIGIOUS MOVIE, AND VARIE TY SHOW

By PFC. SHELDON A. KEITEL

The Traveler's Aid-USO campaign to obtain housing in the Columbus area for servicemen is bearing fruit in that some 200 new rooms have been offered for rent to soldiers and their families. Miss Bonnie Dillshaw, acting director of the TA-USO, announced. She pointed out, however, that many of the rooms have been offered on only a temporary basis while members of a household are on vacation and that the need for permanent rooms or apartments is still urgent. . . . The number of applications for housing have not decreased, she said.

The new USO "troops in transit" lounge will be decorated shortly and will be ready for opening about Oct. 1. . . . Furniture will be selected on the basis of local taste and will reflect the personality of the community. . . . In addition an emergency room will be equipped with regulation bed, first aid kit, and medical supplies.

Through the efforts of the National Catholic Community Services division of the Ninth Street USO the religious motion picture "The Eternal Gift" will be exhibited at Fort Benning for six days during the latter part of September. Mr. Eugene Bergmann, director, announced. . . . Showings will be on the Main Post, Sand Hill, Harmony Church and at Lawson Field.

While renovations and remodeling at the Salvation Army USO at 1323 Broadway in Columbus, Mrs. Kathleen Barrow, program director, announces she is not planning any major attractions to supplement her program. . . . There will be, however, a joint swimming party and picnic given with the Phenix City USO Saturday afternoon at the old Phenix City waterworks. . . . Mrs. Barrow can accommodate 15 soldiers from her club, and she cautions men who want to swim to bring along their trunks.

The usual program holds sway with motion pictures Friday night, a Fort Benning dance band Saturday night, and Edgar White, pianist, on Sundays as the highlights. . . . The Dunkers' Club and Hostess Hours are big Sunday features.

Watch for the variety show in the near future at the Phenix City USO. . . . Plans for the program are now being completed, and soldier talent is being solicited. . . . If you can entertain, see or telephone Sgt. Wagner of the Lucky 7th Armored Division at 7527 who will arrange for an audition and book you on the program. . . . Mrs. James Scott, program director, promises a big-time show when the variety show is presented later this month.



WHAT'S YOUR TROUBLE?
Chaplain F. M. Thompson

The Old Testament observes that a man is born unto trouble as the sparks fly upward. No need to search the long ago for that bit of information. It is very evident from our birth onward.

I know the thought is, most of our troubles are imaginary. As the wise man said: "I've had many troubles in my life, but the worst of them never came." And the old lady who always felt bad when she felt good because she knew she would feel bad for feeling good.

But whether unreal or not, they loom large in the minds of many people, and advice, "Never trouble trouble till trouble troubles you," availeth little.

And some are very real. The mother whose life is wrapped up in a wayward son, daughter, the father who is without work and little ones depending upon him; old folk whose savings have been swept away—these are worthwhile griefs, worries.

What's the answer? Always expect the worst and you will be gloriously disappointed.

Mail-Call

Dear Editor:—

We see in the latest of the Boston Tommy opera that the learned gentleman from the Bay State has a much higher talent for writing than for reading or for remembering what he has read.

In his article appearing in last week's Bayonet Boston Tommy took issue with my letter to the editor in criticism of post warbers which was published one day last Spring.

(Editor's Note:—The original letter to this column was used in the Bayonet of May 20, 1943.)

Boston Tommy is wrong in his inference that this writer complained because he was rushed through his harlequin, Goodness, no, it is pleasurable to get in and out of a barber's chair as expeditiously as possible. It is wrong if his reference to the feminine attitude toward colfures was directed toward us. Furthermore, he is entirely out of pasture if he feels we might like our hair-do's garnished with gadgets and "props of a Flash Gordon cartoon."

Our assertion was simply a large blacksnake lying on a slip just above him. Slipping a blank cartridge into his rifle, he advanced cautiously to within a few inches of the snake's head and squeezed the trigger in proper fashion—the explosion, they claim, blew the snake's head off. Not to be recommended, however, in cases of poisonous snakes.

Kay's Husband Says—HE WINDS UP VACATION COLUMN BY REGISTERING GRIPEs ON WOMEN

This is the windup of my stint in substituting for Kay because she'll be back and she can write her own column for next week.

Since I have thought that a few women would read this thing in her absence I intended making this last one a compilation of my gripes about women en masse. You know—why should women complain because men like to read while they eat? Why should a man open an automobile door to let a woman enter and then risk his life by walking into a stream of traffic to enter the other door?

Why do some women look askance when I fail to remove my hat in an elevator which is just as much a public conveyance as a bus? See what I mean? I was going to try to rile women into starting a movement or a crusade.

No, I'll end it with a serious note. Kay is going to handle women's publicity again for the Bayonet and it moves me to explain that while the G. I. is the basic reader of this paper, we have felt that we must also fill the needs of ALL potential readers—and that includes a lot of women. And because Fort Benning proportionately more officers' wives as readers than does any other camp newspaper.

I suppose every professional newspaper editor curses the necessity for what he calls women's stuff—the "soc" pages (jargon for society), puerile love serials, cooking pages, advice to the lovelorn and all the rest of it.

Most editors actually feel that women readers have more sense than the intelligence as men readers, if not more, but circulation figures don't lie and no one dares break with tradition. As a consequence they go on printing stuff for women which in many instances is nauseous even to the women's editor or the "soc" editor.

Well, the Bayonet will continue to cater to women, but as we have from the start, we'll do it on what we think is a sound basis. Lunches, teas, incidental marriages, who's giving a party for whom, fashions and all the traditional women's interest fare is out.

But the Bayonet recognizes that among the officers' wives and among the enlisted men's wives there are activities which are a vital part of Fort Benning. The Red Cross volunteers, the Grey Ladies, the Motor Corps, all efforts through clubs to bring the women of military personnel together for worthwhile activities such as the nursery school which has made it possible for mothers to work for the Red Cross—these things will bring a salute from the Bayonet.

We hope you will pardon us if we add that it is pleasing to be told that our recognition of these activities has furthered the cause we have mentioned. It is further evidence that the Bayonet has become a worthwhile addition to the post and that all our efforts are not in vain and that our judgment is not always wrong.

I have come to feel that the army wife generally, there are exceptions of course, is a pretty well person who can hold her chin up, take knocks, display her independence, stand even waiting in line a PX for meat, gather her children up as her husbands sail overseas into possible death and accept her lot courageously, and for the most part stand the equal of any other woman in any other group.

That's a lot for me to say in circle of women. But what I wanted to explain is that we or the Bayonet feel that way and that is why we try intelligently to publish legitimate women's news. Take over, Kay!

Sgt. McDonald's Basket COL. SWAMPWATER R PINCH-HITS AS MAC GOLDBRICKS IN HOSPITAL

By T. P. SWAMPWATER
Colonel, Infantry

Due to Sergeant McDonald's unpredictable absence it has occurred to me, Colonel T. P. Swampwater, to conduct his column for him and in my amiable military manner to try to improve upon it.

To you uniformed readers who suspect that Sergeant McDonald has gone over the hill, let me take this occasion to clear up such an erroneous conclusion.

The truth of the matter is, my official aide had finally managed to goldbrick his way into the station hospital. And, if I may add, during the past several weeks, I have noticed that he has been extremely interested in the "cute nurses" he has encountered at the main post theatre and other points of interest, but by the immortal "shades of Salome" it never occurred to me that the Sergeant would actually go to the extreme of getting sent to the hospital just so he could be near them.

This conduct on his part has undoubtedly been due to the strict discipline and manner of obtaining objective is that he has been im-

bued wit while under my command.

During the past several months there has been a tendency on the part of the majors and lieutenant colonels to concentrate too much on illuminated belt buckles.

Such "sense of neatness" constantly held before the junior officers and enlisted men is indeed refreshing, but we should also add a word of warning to the field officers who salute their subordinates by pointing to their own right eyebrows with a rather lax forefinger. This as we all know does not invoke good discipline.

Men who have been making this mistake have also been allowing their chests to droop. A factor which causes me to remind you that no matter how shiny your belt buckle is nobody can see it if your bay window droops down over it.

On the asset side of the ledger I find most of the conduct extremely amiable and full of promise.

Naturally such minor divergencies as young officers like Lt. J. L. Echo sneaking off to the ice cream parlor during ten minute breaks can be corrected by perseverance and raising the voice.

In conclusion, let me say I think all military personnel should chew more imported chewing gum and share their peanut brittle with all their friends. Such conduct will be beneficial to all military morale and enable both young and old to be more amiable in their conduct of the war.

People who expect a superman to solve their problems have been taking the comics too seriously—and their own responsibilities not seriously enough.

CHAPEL IN THE GROVE

The sky above is the gilded dome, The trees are the chapel walls— And about the spot where I kneel to pray— Are the proud and garnished halls.

The lights that glisten from heights above And shine of that altar fair, Are the sunbeams falling from Heaven, Piercing the morning air.

The choir that sings each Sabbath morn Are the birds in the treetops high, The organ that swells above their note Is the wind with its soft low cry.

The songs we sing are the beautiful hymns That my mother taught to be— Like, "Jesus Lover of My Soul" And, "Nearer My God To Thee."

'Tho' I leave my chapel and wander far, At the end of each weary day, Those leafy walls will rise again Wherever I stop to pray.

—OC Robert G. Lyall, 20th Co.
In "Shavetail."

This Khaki'd World

By PVT. G. I. GRIPE

Put on your khaki bonnet With the blue braid upon it; And we'll hild old dobbin to the shay.

For now that G. is rationed Your new car's old-fashioned; It's the buck-board leads the way.

Put on those G. I. high boots, Say goodbye to zoot-suits Cause you're in the Army till the end; Quit your belly-aching It's no time for faking You're a soldier now, my friend.

—The Shadow.

Sgt. Milton Luban, the saga (hey, and we always thought that was the stuff they put in dressings), of the Regimental Mirror, called to say he was going to the hospital with his back again. Back with the back, he says. Well, says we, they can never accuse you of having a strong back and a weak mind. But he thought it too corny to print in his column. But we are always glad to have some bit of jokery, even if we have to make it up ourselves, so here it is. Hot stuff, eh? Well, if you think you can do better, come in and give it a whirl. We're anxious to get some of you G. I.'s sending us your stuff. And also nonsense. Gets sort of lonesome trying to do this all by myself. . . .

Tech. Sgt. Dan Brooker of BAC School is always down in

the front row when the 176th Hillbillies are scheduled to play at the Patio Grill. And sure enough, before the evening's over, he asks Corp. Britton Tabor to have the boys play "Low and Lonely." Corp. Tabor is beginning to hate the song.

Wonder just why Pfc. Maitland of the 176th detoured via Roanoke on his recent furlough to Richmond? Might it be that 101 "Ranch" there?

A group of Company H men, out in the 124th Infantry, are hurting badly these days. It seems that they found a boat that had sunk in Clear Creek while they were on bivouac. With no little difficulty, they dragged it out and beached it to dry out thoroughly. On their return to the camp site some time later, they took along paint and calking material. But the boat was missing and nobody could figure out what had happened to it until the kitchen crew finally pointed to a blazing fire and one of the kitchen crew remarked cheerfully "boats certainly do burn good, don't they?" Now the boys who worked so hard to get themselves a boat are doing a bit of burning on their own account.

Out in the Third Student Training Regiment, they're pretty proud of Officer Candidate J. M. Robertson, of the 14th Company. He was out on a problem recently and saw a



PROF JINX—Lefty Wissman, Spirit mound ace, racked up his fourth straight win this year over the Academic Regiment on Monday night when he hurled the 176th nine to a 4-2 win over the Profs in the second game of the world series at the post.

Gator Eleven Opens At Draper Prison Friday

Milton Will Unveil 1943 Grid Machine

Major Red Milton will take the wraps off his class Gator gridiron machine tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, but none of the 124th's future rivals will have a chance to take a look-see because the game will be played behind prison walls.

The Gators will bow in the 1943 campaign with a warm-up game against the inmate eleven at Draper Prison, Spigner, Alabama. The prisoners usually field a fair club, and provided a good test for several post teams last fall.

PREP FOR NAVY
The Draper clash will give the burly Gator mentor a chance to view his new team under actual combat conditions as they hasten their preparations for the Army-Navy clash with Jacksonville Air Tech in the Florida city on Saturday, the 26th.

Although no definite starting line-up has been announced for the Draper clash, Milton is expected to start the variety that he has been running in drills all week.

BULLDOGS START
That club has brilliant Roy Cestary at tailback, Georgia Lamar Davis at wingback, Georgia Jim Todd at fullback and Nick Calos, all-conference at Benning, at quarter. Bob White of Indiana might replace Todd at fullback. In the line, the Gators will probably start out with Alabama's Sam Sharp and Tom Solas at the flanks, Alabama's Jack McKen and Bill Tew at tackles, Fordham's Bob Fitzgerald and Mike Aulenti at the guards, and Columbia's Bill Corey at the pivot post.

During the course of the game, however, Milton expects to throw his entire squad into action to test their efficiency under actual game conditions.

300th Power Rates Team Among Topnotchers

In a series of fast scrimmages this past week, the 300th Infantry football squad gave evidence of the power which should label it as among the top-notch service teams of the nation this year.

The Sabers, plugged through with talent and brawn (seven of its tackles tip the scales at over 215 pounds each) are fast, rugged, and deceptive.

DIBLASE SHINES
Among the stars whose work in scrimmages has been outstanding is the little touted Sam DiBlasi, who at Washington and Lee University missed the wide publicity which he would have gotten at a larger college. His merit was proved however with the Cleveland Rams professional football squad.

DiBlasi is the surprise of the pre-season practice sessions and may prove the dark-horse player of the Fort Benning conference.

Still in his old form is Kentucky's Ernie Allen, as fast as he was when named all-Southeastern Conference back. Allen hasn't slowed down with the years, and still can uncork a rifle pass. In scrimmage he's dynamite, and has proved it by breaking away for long runs which would spell touchdowns in any collegiate league. The Sabers count on Allen for a lot of scoring this year.

SPIRIT BAND ON AIR
The 176th Infantry's regimental band will be the featured performers this Sunday, September 19, over Radio Station WRBL at 5:00 in the afternoon. The band will be under the personal direction of WOJG Paul S. Callaway.

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Series Goes Into Fifth Game Tonight

Post Ringmen Box at Rucker Tomorrow Night

Combined Team of 176th and 300th Faces Wildcats

A combined boxing team made up of men from the 300th and the 176th Infantry Regiments, will leave Friday morning to stage a match with the boxing team of Camp Rucker in their arena at Camp Rucker, Alabama.

A well rounded card is in the making with the 300th having most of the representations in the light and middleweight class and the 176th taking care of the heavy-weight angle.

GARCIA'S FIGHT
Some of the boxers for the 300th will be Joe and Rudy Garcia, Paul Franco and Dan Davis, boys who are well known for their fighting abilities. For the 176th, Fred Aguirre will pit his skill and cunning against whatever baniam Camp Rucker can offer.

RETURN MATCH
A return match is scheduled here at Fort Benning for October 1st. It will be interesting to note the results of the Camp Rucker bouts as they will give an indication of what to expect when the teams meet again, here at Doughboy Stadium on October 1st.

The Camp Rucker match will give the boxers the experience they have been unable to obtain as yet in Fort Benning competition.

87th Recon's Pugs Prepare For Local Rings

The 87th Armored Reconnaissance battalion, one of the finest outfits in the "Lucky 7th," is tossing its boxing gloves into the ring soon to show Benning boxing fans why their unit is dubbed "the fighting 87th." Preliminary to the eventual Axis K. O. they have readied a line-up prepared to challenge all comers on the post.

Heading the list is 200-pound Jerry Koberna, "C" Co. from Cleveland, who is a former professional with the reputation of flooring Charley McCarthy once for the count of nine.

TAKE ON JOE?
If Joe Louis should include Fort Benning during his exhibition tour of army camps, Koberna hopes to have an opportunity to spar with the champ in an exhibition match.

From Larksville, Pa., comes "A" Co.'s Charley (Kid) McCue, a featherweight (126) who has 28 professional wins to his credit. Other fight-string boxers of the 87th include 136-pound Tony Brescia, "C" Co. of Garfield, N. J.; 110-pound Chuck Sleszer, "H" Co., at 160 pounds; Mickey Nowchan, (175 pounds), "C" Co. from Cleveland; Whitey Gardner (180 pounds); "Louisiana Giant" (160 pounds), from New Orleans; and Fred Ferris (147 pounds) and Dick Stuart (160 pounds), from "B" Co.

The team of nine former pro and semi-pro boxers trains under Lt. Carl F. Cooke, who could pinch-hit for any pugilist who, if necessary, to represent the 87th. According to him, a good tip from the feed-box is to "Watch the 87th."

TABLE TENNIS CHAMPS

Pics Francis Farnak and Irving Sautag of the 176th Infantry have been declared the doubles Table Tennis champions of Fort Benning by virtue of their winning the tournament held at Service Club No. 1.

Farnak and Sautag defeated the highly touted 7th Armored Division team in straight games. They each received a silver cup and a ball autographed by Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton.

SPIRITS DECORATED

Good Conduct Medals were awarded to 198 members of the 176th Infantry last week. The medals were awarded for demonstrated fidelity through faithful and exact performance of duty, efficiency through capacity to produce desired results, and whose behavior has been such as to deserve emulation for a period of one year or more.



Southeastern Colored Baseball Tourney Opens Here on Monday

Wheeler Black Spokes Will Oppose Benning Tigers in Opening Clash

Eight hard-hitting, outstanding teams representing four large Army posts will gather here Monday for a week of play in the Southeastern Colored Servicemen's Baseball Tourney which is to be staged jointly at Gowdy Field and at Golden Park in downtown Columbus.

The opening gun of the tournament will be fired at 7 o'clock on Monday night in Gowdy Field when the famed Black Spokes from Camp Wheeler, Ga., take on Benning's Headquarters Detachment Tigers. Mitchell, one of the finest colored hurlers at this post, is slated to oppose the Black Spokes in the opener.

FULL CARD
Games will be played every night next week at Gowdy Field, starting at 7 o'clock with five other Benning teams entered, including the 1st STR Red Sox, newly-crowned, colored champs of the post, and the Reception Center Orphans, who were runners-up for post laurels.

Outside service teams will come from Camp Blantling, Fla., and Tuskegee Army Flying School in addition to the Camp Wheeler entry.

ELIMINATION BASIS
The tourney will run on a straight elimination basis, with playoffs for the first, second and third place spots. The event, first of its kind ever to be held in being sponsored jointly by the Fort Benning Athletic Association and the Columbus Sportsmen's Club. Trophies will be awarded to the winners.

Kotowski Named 'Most Hustling' 300th Basebatter
He was a quiet sort of guy. All season long, he played good, but not spectacular, baseball for the 300th Infantry Sabers. The local journals scarcely gave him a tumble but when the season was over as far as the Sabers were concerned, members of

the team gathered to select the "Most Hustling" player on the team. Their choice was unanimous. It was Private First Class Don Kotowski of Company C.

Max and Buddy Baer are only Corporals in the U. S. Army but to Gov. Robert S. Kerr of Oklahoma they're "colonels." The governor recently named both boxers "colonels" on his staff.

Bernie Jefferson, all Big-Ten halfback at Northwestern in 1936 to 1938 received his wings and commission at graduation exercises held recently at Tuskegee Army Air Field in Alabama.

Pat Ryan, fabulous New York post, heaved the hammer 189 feet, six and a half inches, in 1913, the American record. He could throw his billy even further than that.



ALL-SEC BACKFIELD of the 300th Infantry eleven is shown above. The husky Sabers are, left to right: Ike Peel, Bill Meek and Bill Nowling, all of the Tennessee Vols, and Ernie Allen, famed Kentucky Wildcat. The Vols were members of last year's crack Tennessee eleven which won the Sugar Bowl classic from Tulsa's Golden Hurricane. Allen was an all-conference selection two seasons ago with Kentucky and played last fall for the Eastern Army (All-Stars). All four backs are anxiously awaiting their October 16th meeting with Georgia Tech's Yellowjackets, an old SEC rival of college days. (Signal Lab Photo by Sgt. Mel Stock.)

Walt Poland Slated To Hurl for Spirits Against Rudy Rundus

First-Game Winner Will Attempt To Stymie Academic Nine Again

Hustling Walt Poland, hero of the opening game victory on Sunday night, is slated to toe the slab for the 176th Spirits against Rudy Rundus for the Academic Profs tonight at Gowdy Field when the rivals clash in the fifth game of their world series battle for post baseball supremacy.

The little left-hander, a surprise selection in the first tilt, will attempt to continue his brilliant pitching against the hard-hitting Profs. In Sunday's clash he set the Profs down with two hits, a double and a single by Johnny Russo, and did not give up a single walk as the Spirits won, 8-1.

RUNDUS BEATEN
Rundus hurled the second game of the series for the Academics and bowed to Lefty Wissman in a stomach round duel by a 4-2 count. The lean right-hander pitched six-hit ball, however, and might have beaten any other mound warrior than Wissman, who now holds four straight decisions over the Profs this year.

After the Spirits had romped to a pair of opening victories on the mound, Poland's brilliant mound efforts of their crack southpaws, they blew the series wide open Tuesday night in one of the worst fiascos ever seen in the ancient ball park.

NINE MISDEEDS
No less than nine errors were committed in the first four innings by the 176th as its infield developed a bad case of the hits. The result was an overwhelming Academic triumph by a 16-6 score, the worst thumping administered to the Spirits this season.

The teams settled back to the fourth game last night, but the Bayonet went to press before the tilt had been finished. If the Spirits won last night's test, then they will have a chance to cop the laurels in tonight's clash. But if the Wednesday game went to the Profs, the series now stands all even, and tonight's battle will be a crucial one.

RUSSO SPARKLES
Heroes of the series so far, besides Poland, have been Bob Ramazzotti and Sparky Sahara of the Spirits and Johnny Russo of the Profs. Ramazzotti poked a 360-foot homer in the opener and has hit well ever since, while Sahara has done some brilliant catching and is also wall-popping the ball.

Russo, in the first two games, was a bright spot in a lost cause for the Profs. He has now gotten six hits in the series to lead all other batsmen, and his fielding has been little short of sensational. All of the Profs, incidentally, have been playing great ball, sidef, coming up with some of the greatest plays of the year while under pressure.

PRO IN DETROIT
After finishing at W. and J. "Buck" played the pro game with Detroit, and was employed by the school and college. He has been playing for the Detroit Tigers since 1937.

Although nearing forty-five "Buck" stays with the youngsters in cross-country runs, double time marches, and all activities calling for the old oomph. During duty hours you will find him at the motor pool carrying out the functions of motor sergeant.

Military Academy Lacrosse Whiz In Infantry School

Cpl. Taft Wright, former Chicago White Sox outfielder now stationed at the Air Force basic training center near Greensboro, N. C., says Bob Feller was an easier pitcher for him to hit than Chubby Dean. "I always hit Feller good," Wright says, "but Chubby Dean was tough for me because he throws a 'nothing ball' and fools you with his motion."

Playing center in all games, Lieutenant Ivan led the Army lacrosse team to triumph over Dartmouth 10 to 0, Cornell 18 to 0, Penn 11 to 1, Yale 8 to 5, Johns Hopkins 5 to 2, Syracuse 14 to 3, Penn State 10 to 4, and over Navy by 6 to 3 in 1942. This year, the cadets he captained beat Loyola, 10 to 2, Cornell 8 to 0, Yale 6 to 2, and Penn State 7 to 3.

Lieutenant Ivan, whose home is in Bridgeport, Conn., is now a member of the Officers Basic Class in the 11th Cavalry, the 1st Student Training Regiment, commanded by Colonel John S. Ross.

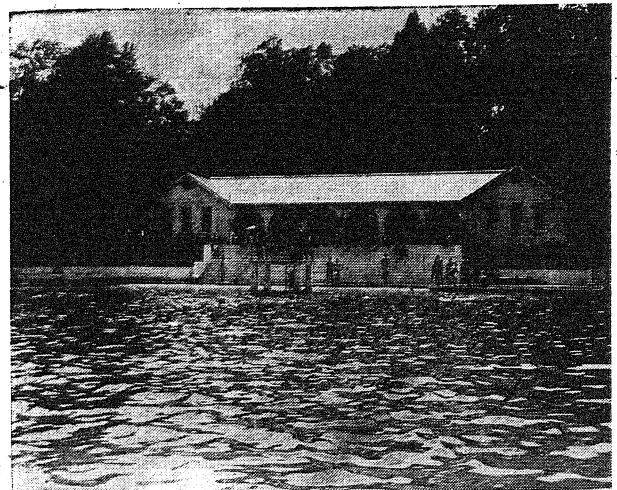
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SCENE AND TROPHY—The 1943 swimming and diving championships of the post will be held Sunday at spacious Russ Pool, shown above. On the right is the handsome trophy to be awarded by the F. B. A. A. sponsors of the meet, to the winning team. (Signal Lab Photos by Sgt. Mel Stock.)

Swimmers Ready For Title Meet

More than one hundred crack swimmer swimmers are expected to compete at Russ Pool on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 when the 1943 championship swim meet is held under the auspices of the Fort Benning Athletic Association.

ADVANCE DEADLINE

Entries for both team and individual events have been pouring into the athletic office all week, and in order that no one is left behind in the rush, meet officials have advanced the deadline for entries to 5:30 p. m. tomorrow afternoon.

Four individual events in swimming will be held: the 50-yard freestyle, 50-yard backstroke, 50-yard breaststroke, and 150-yard freestyle. There will also be a 150-yard relay for three-man teams and an individual diving competition.

WAC RACE

A special feature will be the 50-yard freestyle events for members of the Women's Army Corps stationed here.

Trial heat will start promptly at 2:30 and all contestants must report at the pool in swim suits not later than a half hour before starting time.

SPECTATORS

Spectators in swim suits will be permitted within the pool enclosure while all other on-lookers can view the title meet from the spacious bank outside the pool on the south side.

A handsome team trophy has been placed in competition by the F.B.A.A. while individual awards will be made winners and runners-up in all events.

Touch Football In 1st STR Draws Former Collegiate Gridiron Aces

The rest of the company was rather surprised when several officers in the 18th Company, 1st STR, started playing touch football after the noon-day "picnic" out in the field a week or so ago. But by now it's a daily event and the game is cutting heavily into the popularity of bridge and other favorite army games of chance, in the competition for spectators.

That's not surprising either when you consider that there are quite a few former college players in the 18th Company. The 18th Company can also boast of its quota of ex-gridiron stars.

EX-CORNUCOPUS ACE

There's Capt. Johnny Williams, for example, who usually "carries" one of the teams. He played the game of varsity ball at Nebraska from 1933 to 1935, when the Cornhuskers really had ball. Johnny completed for a backfield spot his first two years with such all-time stars as George Henry Sauer and Bill Watterson, and still saw lots of action. His last year he went into the running guard slot.

Capt. James L. Coleman was one of the sparkplugs of Tennessee's team in 1941, and Capt. Bob Nelson was center on the University of West Virginia team from 1935 to 1937. Nelson was also a boxer on an intercollegiate team which competed for nationwide laurels.

OLD-TIMERS, TOO

A pair of old-timers get in there every once in awhile. There's Lt. Col. James S. Luckett, who played on West

and Capt. Carl Hott who was an outstanding West Coast lineman at Oregon State from 1929 to 1931, later playing with the newly-born Los Angeles Pro Bulldogs.

Some other luminaries include Capt. Ralph Gathier of East Central State Teachers in Texas, a halfback for four years on his college team, and Lt. Ray Patton from the University of New Hampshire. Lt. Jim White performed for the University of Florida. Lt. Brewer Horton was a darn good halfback at Clemson from 1932 to 1935, and Capt. Ray Lakey hails from the University of Montana.

Pea Ridge Day is the quaint character we had in mind. He was a big right-hander from Tobacco Road and the world's champion hog caller of the country he came from. Every time he'd strike someone out, he would let fly with a hog call that would rattle the grandstands. He pitched several months for the Dodgers back in the Wilbert Robinson regime but finally he burned out his voice. He's been sent him back to the farm.

Lawson Little, pudgy California golfer, won the British and American amateur golf titles in 1934 and 1935. Bobby Jones won both championships in 1930 but came back to repeat the following year, quite possibly because he didn't compete.

Joe Gans, who held the lightweight title from 1901 until 1908 never won the welterweight crown. He licked many welterweights in his heyday, however, as well as a fair smattering of middleweights, heavyweights and Irish saloonkeepers.

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Red Sox Win League Flag In Playoffs

1st STR Captures Title With 13-5 Victory In Finale

Something new has been added to the trophy room of the Red Sox, hard-playing diamond stars of the First Student Training Regiment, commanded by Col. John S. Roosa. It's the victory pennant they won Monday by tightening their grip on the move to trounce the Reception Center Orphans, 13 to 5, in the deciding bout of the five-game Service League series.

It was a somewhat costly triumph, however. Gene Randolph, young Sox left-hander, was pitching a rather creditable game with five blank frames. Out of a clear sky Taylor, the Orphans' center fielder, connected with a home run and sent it to left field for a triple. Coming home on errors scored three runs, and five other unearned runs crossed home plate to make the score read 7-5. But the Orphans were out-hit, Welmaker giving up 12 hits to 7 for Randolph.

Starting the Sox' string of series successes, Lefty Rombly took the Orphans, 8-4, in the second game of the series, with Jimmie Taylor driving in two runs. "Lefty" ace hurler that he is, gave up only 6 hits.

James Taylor, schoolboy right hander, hurled the Sox to a 13-4 victory over the Orphans in the third game of the series. Johnnie Washington, the Sox' first sacker, pounded a double down the first base line with a man on second to untie the score in the sixth frame and send Welmaker down with ten hits.

The Red Sox salvaged the fourth game of the series, 11-8, but staged a comeback in the fifth game. Starting off the lucky first inning with three runs, the Sox were leading, 3-0, but one out when Cleverly, the Orphans' shortstop, doubled and scored on an error. The heavy hitting began in the third inning when the Red Sox' "murderer" Rombly, the Sox' first sacker, really went to town, getting six runs out of seven hits and putting the Reception Center Orphans out of the running by a score of 13-5.

Swatting performance of individual Red Sox players this year are as follows:

Player	Team average
Johnson, 3rd base	120
Randolph, right field	110
Welmaker, left field	100
Taylor, center field	90
Washington, 1st base	80
Seaver, left field	70
Winn, right field	60
Winn, catcher	50
Saunders, pitcher	40
Team average	100

1st STR Golfers Wallop Sabers

The 1st Student Training Regiment golf team continued the winning streak by demolishing the Sabers 22-12 in the 7-12 last week. The best score of the day was a par 72 by Buckley of the 300th.

The Sabers' best score was a 75 by Loggins. The 1st STR team won the match 11-1. Willoughby, star golfer for the Wolves, had a couple of bad holes and lost to Loggins in the intercollegiate match, 2 down in a close match.

Wallace, number 2 man of the 1st S. T. R., played an outstanding match on Sunday, scoring 67 points from Miller who shot an even 80. Moser, number 3 man for the Wolves defeated Hoyer, who played a beautiful game to win all 3 points on the team match.

Crawford of the 1st S. T. R. continued his winning streak by beating Pumper 3-0 while Arnold, number 12 on the Wolves, had a back nine to the Mullane for the match. Crawford sunk a 25 foot putt on the 18th to clinch his victory. The Wolves, both par shooters, had a 2-2 tie in the first round. The 1st S. T. R. team which has been growing in popularity and strength as each week progresses will play the 176th Infantry Sabers a return match this Sunday, the 12th. The 176th team won a match in previous games. Headlining the matches will be Kupsick of the Spirits and Willoughby of the Wolves, both par shooters who have won a match each in previous encounters.

GATORS TAKE LEAD

Vigiano and Simms, the Gator 3 point men, took a 2-1 lead on a half point from Gruber and Frevel and put the Gators out in front.

Lt. Col. Earle M. Shine and Ed Fogel carded the lead in the winning margin, by winning the last six holes playing even par golf from Ambrosia and O'Brien. The first nine was halved.

Panthers Will Play Three College Foes

Three of the strongest colored football eleven in the nation will play the Panthers at the 19th Army Stadium this fall against the 3rd Str. Panthers, according to an announcement by Lieut. Capt. Gushin who is in charge of the schedule arrangements for the Benning gridgers.

Tuskegee Institute's famed Golden Tigers, the Morehouse College Maroon Tigers from Atlanta, and Morris Brown College also from Atlanta, will be carded for the grid battles against the Panthers on the Doughboy turf.

Gushin also announced that the Panthers would meet two other collegiate eleven, Florida A. and M. and Clark College, in games away from the Fort McPherson Reception Center and the Truck Regiment gridgers of the Infantry School.

PIN-UP GIRL OF THE WEEK



CIVIL SERVICE CUTIE—Mary Louise Childress is our favorite diving girl of the year, and there's no need to ask why, because you should be able to see for yourself. She's a notable representation of the fair state of Virginia, she attended Blackstone College in the "Carry-McBack" state. While at school, she was a Beta Sigma Phi, member of dramatic club, home ec. club, and president of the athletic club, home ec. club, and president of the athletic club.

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Rhine Of 7th Armored Wins Piig Pong Title

Pvt. Wilner P. Rhine of the "Lucky 7th" Armored Division reigns today as piig pong champion of the Fort Benning reservation after trouncing Pvt. Larry Farber, 840th Ord. Depot, in a hotly contested table tennis match at the service club number one last week.

After taking the first two rounds of the single tournament 21-18 and 21-11, and losing the next two by a slight margin 21-19 and 21-15 to the ordinance star, Rhine rallied in the final round with a series of brilliantly executed shots to snatch the cup from Farber with a score of 21-18.

It was experience and timing which helped him outpoint his adversary in the final and decisive round of play.

SPIRITS WIN

Teamed with Cpl. Robert O. Snyder, also of the 31st A. R., Rhine then played Pfc. Irving Suning and Francis Farak, 176th Inf., for the post doubles title. Here the infantrymen took the cake by winning three rounds in rapid succession. The scores were 21-10, 21-13, and 21-17.

So Excited Over Promotion He Forgot 2 Children

They say that everybody gets a bit flustered when a promotion comes through—and even odd time officers get a little excited when getting their share of promotion, as brand new Capt. Salvador Llosa proved a couple of days ago when he forgot to mention two of his children—one being a boy in the Army by the way. So he came back rather shamefacedly to inform it was too late to give the details.

Share

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send OPA agents down to conduct a thorough checkup and survey," he said. "They will stop automobiles entering or leaving without passengers and will investigate all coupon books issued. If supplemental books have been issued on the basis that the car driver is sharing rides, it will be taken away."

TOO MANY REGISTRATIONS

"At the same time, many passengers who have registered with one car driver now are being found to be registered with several others. In some cases they have changed into new car pools and have just not thought about notifying us. But every case will be investigated and if there was any trickery, such as signing for several pools in order to allow a driver to secure supplemental coupons, the parties will be held responsible."

"Such a move must be made if we are to keep down the gasoline consumption. At the same time, too many drivers at Fort Benning are found to be putting in petitions for new tires, causing Muscogee county to be strained. It is because, little by little, the share the ride plan is breaking down and too many automobiles need new tires. Many new organizations have come to Fort Benning and the share-a-ride plan was put into operation, and the personnel of these organizations should take immediate steps to institute plans to utilize every bit of transportation to the fullest extent. Otherwise, drastic reductions in issuance of gasoline coupons must be made and the number of tires being issued."

TIRE BLACK MARKET

Sgt. Lipp warned also against purchasing of tires from any possible "black market" source and against taking delivery on an automobile without being certain that the tires check with the inspection records. Several purchasers of automobiles have been victimized recently, he said, and in the future no coupons can be issued without the correct tire inspection record, which must check with the tires on the automobile.

The new basic "A" gasoline ration book will be used in the gasoline shortage area after November 21, he said. The first owners are reminded that they must present the covers of their old "A" books, together with the ration stamps, to the rationing office for the new basic "A" book. Date when applications will be accepted will be announced as they are decided upon, he said.

All-Benning

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of a 715 ration and Lieut. A. L. Hart, a Marine Corps officer who is currently pursuing a course of instruction at the Infantry School at Fort Benning. The ingenu has had considerable theatrical experience in and around Columbia while Hart was president of the Theater Intimate at Princeton University last year.

THREE SERGEANTS

Three Fort Benning sergeants, well-known for their arduous work on post programs, are also cast in important roles. Sgt. William Cope of the Academic Regiment and Sgt. Charles W. St. John, both of whom are experienced in the theater, play important roles as the doctor and one of the surviving relatives.

CIVILIAN WORKERS

Also in the cast are two civilian employees of the post engineer's office at Benning, James Oettinger and Susan Silsby, who are cast as Ellen Rubenstein and Mammy Pleasant. Lieut. T. Hill is cast as Hendricks, the keeper of the insane asylum.

A curtain call for tonight and tomorrow night's presentations of "The Cat and the Canary" will be at 9 o'clock Fort Benning time.

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Truck Unit Makes Changes In Its Routine

Captain George S. Williamson, adjutant of the Truck Regiment, the Infantry School, has introduced several changes in the daily routine and operation of the Regimental Headquarters personnel. Clerks, specialists in various phases of army administration, work in sections under competent leaders and, unlike many other setups, have specific duties assigned to them based upon their particular ability and qualifications, rather than handling the many types of paper work that is incidental to the records of the army.

The Message Center, through which incoming and outgoing material is recorded and routed properly, is managed by Corporal John McKim, of Columbus, South Carolina, who has as an assistant, Larry Reid, of Montclair, New Jersey, and who also is the message operator.

The all important "pay" section has for its section leader, Sergeant Hurdley and as clerks, Corporals Richard Perry, Ransom Persons, John Cowan, Vernon Covart, Albert Long, These men pay payrolls for all enlisted men in the regiment.

Keeping service records of this large organization up to date is the duty of Section Leader Calvin Frith, Corporal Warren Smyre and Private First Class Henry Dean and Kermit Williams.

Corporal William Hopsan handles the morning reports, assisted by Corporal Walter Brown, and Private Herbert Turk—the latter also being the Corporal Card clerk.

Corporal Robert Morris is in charge of the Classification Section while Corporal Jesse Hare is responsible for the filing of all material.

COURT STENOGRAPHER

One of attending all Regimental Courts-Martial, transcribing the happenings as they occur and later typing them up for the court is the assignment given to Corporal Herbert Brown.

Working alongside of the Regimental Court Stenographer, Private Edmondson serves as the Motor Clerk and knows the daily status of the many vehicles within the organization.

Corporal Abner Jay contributes greatly to the morale of the men in his capacity of Furlough clerk. Sergeant Francis Akeley, Acting Regimental Sergeant Major, and Technical Sergeant Whitney Meyers, Personnel Sergeant Major, keep an overall check on the above-mentioned clerks and they, in turn, are accountable to Captain Williamson, the Regimental Adjutant and to Chief Warrant Officer George Goldsmith, the Personnel Officer.

The lone civilian employee, working in Regimental Headquarters, is Miss Mabel Fuller, who serves as the Commanding Officer's stenographer and Special Order Writer.

An interesting innovation of the headquarters administration is the Morning Report League—the periodic summary of errors made by companies and detachments on their daily reports of personnel. It is continually increasing number of good reports go forward.

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West Point Hockey Star Studies Here

One of the prominent West Point athletes now attending the Officers Basic Course at The Infantry School in Second Lieutenant William J. Ray, whose speed on the ice won him fame as one of Army's star hockey players.

After a successful season as center on the plebe team in 1941, he played center on the varsity in '42 and '43 engagements and won his letter in hockey. He also served as captain of the team in 1943.

Playing just as brilliantly and intensively as he prepared for the much harder game ahead. Lieutenant Ray is a member of the 11th Company 1st Student Training Regiment. He's from Wellesley Hills, just outside Boston, Mass.

With Civilians

Mary Hundertmark can settle down to work again for her husband, Master Sergeant H. W. Hundertmark, who has just arrived home. Her mother received a telegram announcing his arrival in America last week but the sergeant stopped over in Baltimore to visit his daughter, Sister Monica, R. S. M., at Convent of Mother of St. Agnes, and in Atlanta to visit another daughter, Cadet Nurse Helen, at St. Joseph Infirmary. Finally reaching Columbus this week end, Mary is that delighted to have him for a few weeks visit.

Sergeant Hundertmark was stationed at Fort Benning with an Ordnance Company for 16 years before leaving in 1941 for overseas duty. His family is living in Benning Park and will remain there until he is permanently returned to America. Mary, as you know, is in the Billing Office at Post Headquarters.

Civilian personnel girls are getting all rested for a hard winter's work. This week finds Ellen Holland in Charleston, S. C.; Mary Summerford and Carolyn Vaughn at Daytona Beach, Fla.; Eugenia Copeland in New Orleans, La.; Ethel Land in Panama City; Bessie Parker chose about the best place for a good vacation one can find—home. Nice place to be, I can tell you.

Josephine Haggard, secretary to General Walter S. Fulton, at headquarters, spent a few days in Pinehurst, N. C., with her sister and brother, Captain and Mrs. F. M. Schauer, and baby. She visited Camp McCall expecting to say hello to Colonel Oringer—and believe it or not, he was at Fort Benning that same day and came to say hello to her. So they both missed each other.

Two vacationists in the Ordnance Branch are Louise Allen, who has gone to Detroit and will detour around to Marion, Ky., and Dorothy Vannatter, who is seeing the sights of Los Angeles.

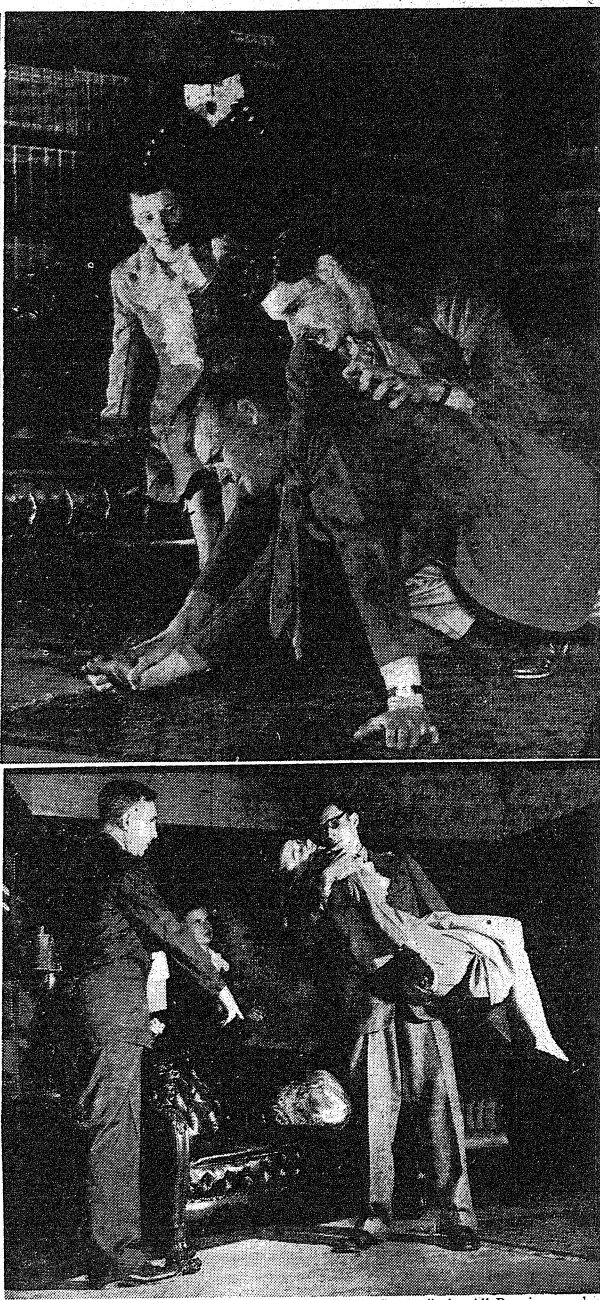
The civilians in the office at the Ordnance Branch gave Mary Tracy (Mrs. "Corporal" William Tracy) a baby shower at the home of Mrs. Egon Buchanan.

Sgt. and Mrs. C. H. Truen were hosts to all his girls in the Purchasing and Contracting Division, Quartermaster Corps, Saturday night of this week, at their home in Columbus.

Tom Harmon of the University of Michigan, scored more touchdowns than any other big time college football back.

ward on the efficiency of the Regimental Headquarters personnel, Colonel Frank J. Vida, the Regimental Commander, can feel fairly certain that this is but one example of the fine work being performed daily by the units of his command.

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THERE'S THRILLING ACTION

"The Cat and the Canary," the All-Benning production of the famous mystery comedy which is being produced tonight and tomorrow night by the Columbus Civic Theater at Chase Playhouse in the city. In the top scene, Lieut. Howard Hill (bottom) and Lieut. A. L. Hart, Jr., grapple for a gun as terrified Terry Ryder, wife of a TIS sergeant, looks on unaware of the menace of "The Cat" behind her. "The Cat" is also a well-known Benning soldier but you've got to see the play to find out his identity. In the bottom scene, Mrs. Ryder (Annabelle) is carried into a room by Lieut. Hart (Paul) after she has fainted from shock of being surprised by "The Cat." St. Sgt. Owen J. Remington (Roger Crosby) and Bonnie Beardsley (Sicily Young), wife of a paratrooper officer, look on at the left. Special soldier admission prices of twenty-five cents will be charged for the performances which begin at 9 o'clock Benning time both nights. (Signal Lab Photos by Sgt. Don Kortemeier.)

Yanks, Germans Make Own Armistice Terms in Sicily

This is the story of an American-German armistice negotiated in an Italian villa during the battle for Sicily. It is contained in a letter to the living Campbell of the 6th Infantry Regiment of The Infantry School and was written by Lt. Fred Thomas, who was a party to the armistice.

Lt. Thomas, who was graduated from Officer Candidate School here, also received his parachute training at the post. He was with the American Paratroops during the invasion of Sicily.

On the night of the invasion, Lt. Thomas and 17 others were dropped a considerable distance from their objective. They fought their way through 50 miles of enemy territory toward the American lines. Two miles short of their goal, they were captured by Mark VI tanks.

The Germans had with them, two wounded Yanks and a badly wounded German. The German appeared to be highly regarded by his mates so much so that they offered to free the Americans if the Germans, in return, would procure medical aid for their comrade.

The Americans agreed and Lt. Thomas started for the local aid. He located a medical sergeant, cornered a jeep and returned to the villa where the Germans and Americans were awaiting his return. There he found all of them enjoying chess served with Italian wine.

After the sergeant had patched up the wounded, the Americans started to leave, only to discover that the Germans had returned to their tank and had their guns trained on the villa. The Germans explained that the Americans were free to go but they must promise to take good care of their German comrade. They added that once the Americans had reached their lines, the armistice was over and it would be a total war if they ever met again.

The Germans added they intended to blow up their tanks and attempt to escape.

That's the story of an armistice in Sicily.

Sept. Hit Kit To Feature Soldiers' Scores

From Lt. Colonel Charles C. Finnegan's Post Special Service Office, comes the word that the September issue of "Hit Kits" to be released shortly, will consist entirely of music and lyrics composed by members of the Armed Forces.

The selections to be included in this novel G. I. edition of the "Hit Kits" will be hand picked by a committee of nationally known musicians and orchestra leaders among the most noted are: Kay Kyser, Tommy Dorsey and Benny Goodman. Musical numbers will be selected on the basis of their appeal to service men.

Bands and dance orchestras may obtain full orchestration of these selections as well as others, that have appeared in previous issues of the "Hit Kits" by contacting the Post Special Service Office.

Spirit carter next Monday, September 20 at 8:45.

The motion picture took two years to complete and has in its cast 35 leading members of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, 125 chorists, 50 Georgian chanters, and 1,500 extras. This spectacle and powerful influence toward tolerance and understanding is narrated by Monsignor Fulton Sheen.

USO To Show Prize Movie

Under the auspices of the 9th street USO, Chaplain Anthony E. Czabak of the 16th Infantry will present a motion picture "The Eternal Gift" in the center of the

Col. Roosma Discusses Oahu

Oahu, key island in the strategic Hawaiian group, was the subject of a talk delivered by Colonel John S. Roosma, Commanding Officer of the 1st Student Training Regiment, The Infantry School, to officers of his command. Six large maps of the island, on the shores of which the powerful Pearl Harbor is located, were especially prepared under the direction of the regiment's Public Relations Officer and made Colonel Roosma's highly interesting lecture seem as alive as a personally conducted tour of the stronghold.

CLIMATE IMPORTANT

Its climate provides the key to Oahu's economic importance in the war effort, the Colonel pointed out. Although it is in the tropics, trade winds that blow nine months out of the year keep the heat from becoming enervating. Up in the mountains, the air is invigorating and the sun is usually cooler than in the northeastern United States. Moderate temperature and a freedom from severe storms and cyclones partly explain the island's great productivity.

Heavy rainfall insures bumper sugar-cane and pineapple crops. Oahu's leading products, Colonel Roosma explained. Rubber plantations, which farsighted growers successfully established a few years before the war, have greatly increased their output since East Indian sources of latex were seized by the Japs. Since practically all of the island's production is exported to continental United States, its contribution to our wartime economy is far greater than that of its small size—only 604 square miles—would indicate.

TWO-THIRDS JAPS

Before Pearl Harbor, nearly two-thirds of the island's population of 400,000 were of Jap origin, some 150,000 having been born in Japan itself. Many aliens had since been evacuated to the United States and sent to the interior. But the thousands of loyal Japanese Americans who remain are willing workers and do more than their part in planting and harvesting the island's war-important crops.

Colonel Roosma's intimate acquaintance with Oahu stems from two years service with the 21st Infantry while it was stationed on the island. Commanding the regiment's 2nd Battalion when the Japs struck at Pearl Harbor, he became Executive Officer of the 21st and supervised conversion of Oahu's defenses to a wartime basis. Transferred to Fort Benning, he assumed command initially of the 3rd Battalion and later of the entire 1st Student Training Regiment.

Benning Soldier Receives Letter 15 Feet Long

It took 15 feet of paper—180 inches—for a lonesome Pennsylvania farmer to tell her husband, a soldier at Fort Benning, news about 1,000 chickens, eggs from 500 hens, wheat to be cut and threshed from acres and acres of Pennsylvania farmland, with cows to be milked, butter to be made, and all the other thousand-and-one odd-jobs about a well-kept farm.

Cpl. James Bentzel, in charge of transportation, at Station Hospital Unit No. 2, Harmony Church area, is the lucky soldier-husband of Mrs. Dorothy Bentzel, of York, Pa.

He answered the letter with its multitude of questions he was asked. He described life in the Army, and at Benning, how he spends his leisure time, and how he misses her. It took 47 pages of ordinary writing paper to hold all these answers.

6th Regiment Wives Organize

The first organization meeting of wives of 6th Regiment officers was held last week at the Sand Hill Officers Mess. Luncheon was followed by a business meeting and later a bridge party.

Mrs. Robert Sharp presided and as a result of the meeting announced that the organization would meet on the first Thursday of each month at the Officers Club on the main post. She also announced that Thursday mornings would hereafter be "Sixth Regiment Day" at the Fort Benning Work Room of the Red Cross where the members will busy themselves making surgical bandages and performing other vital Red Cross tasks.

There were 58 ladies present at last week's meeting and the guest of honor was Mrs. Wilson M. Spann, wife of the commanding officer of the ASSTP Basic Training Center of which the 6th Regiment is a part.

SORRY, NO SOAP

The commanding officer of one of The Infantry School units recently received the following telegram: HAVING A SWELL TIME STOP WOULD LIKE TEN DAY FURLOUGH EXTENSION. The CO promptly wired in return: HAVING SWELL TIME TOO STOP EXTENSION DENIED.

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Pointer Socker Ace Attends Infantry School

Before he graduated from West Point and came to The Infantry School for realistic training that's just one step short of actual battle, 2nd Lieutenant Karl E. Wolf kicked a mean soccer ball frequently made sport headlines. Now he's attending the Officers Basic Course at Fort Benning as a member of the 11th Company of the 1st Student Training Regiment, under the command of Colonel John S. Roosma.

As a cadet, Wolf played center forward on the West Point soccer team in 1940, 1941 and 1942. He won the varsity letter for '41 and '42 and didn't miss a soccer game either of those years. In 1941 his team was tied for the national collegiate championship. That season he helped Penn State's nine-year winning streak and beat Navy's soccer team 5-3. Wolf was high scorer on the cadet team for two years.

His boundless energy led him to activity in other sports as well during these years. He played right forward on Army's basketball quintet in 1940 and '41, and center fielded in baseball the next year.

Lieutenant Wolf hails from Wethersfield, Conn.

PRO Lt. Tukey Gets Promotion

Second Lieut. Richard E. Tukey, assistant public relations officer at post headquarters has been promoted to first lieutenant. Lieut. Tukey formerly was in the New York bureau of International News Service and, previous to coming into federal service, in 1941, was on the news staff of the White Plains (N. Y.) Daily Reporter. He was inducted into the Army Feb. 10, 1942, at the Coast Guard Artillery (AA), the old Seventh Regiment of the New York National Guard.

Later he was transferred to the Public Relations Division of First Army for the 1941 maneuvers. Lieut. Tukey then was assigned to the Public Relations Section, Eastern Defense Command, and First Army. While in the latter assignment Lieut. Tukey was a technical sergeant in the press and photo section.

He was commissioned a second lieutenant August 29, last year, after completing the officer candidate course at The Infantry School. He was appointed to the school by the War Department Bureau of Public Relations. Upon receiving his commission, he was assigned to the Bureau of Public Relations in Washington, D. C. until his assignment to Benning in October last year.

The Citadel at Quebec has been called "the Gibraltar of America."

Lucky 7th's Buying Bonds

Division Sets Goal Of \$150,000 In Drive

Soldiers of the Seventh Armored Division are going "over the top" to back the attack with \$150,000 worth of war bonds and stamps as their goal in the Third War Loan Drive. Lt. Col. James G. De La Vargne, division command officer, announced.

The war bond officer and his assistant, Sgt. Earl Redmond, have drawn up a plan for "invasion" of every wall in the "Lucky 7th" by driving home the fact that bond and stamp purchases will not only help shorten the road to peace, but will also insure a solid, stable postwar America for all.

At a war bond meeting of 200 bond officers and their assistants representing every unit in the division, Chaplain De La Vargne stressed the fact that every soldier in the 7th will be "covered" by the plan. This is being accomplished by having each of the 200 officers and non-coms interview 15 men daily during the drive.

Also stressed at the meeting was the promise that buyers will receive their bonds on the day of purchase, but will also insure a There will be no delay in delivery after the sales are made.

Last year war bond sales averaged \$50,000 worth monthly, according to the chief war bond officer.

Incentive for soldiers to dress up and be neat is provided at Drew Field, Fla., where a WAC patrols the field looking for a tidy GI. Upon finding him, she obtains his name and turns it in for a pair of free movie tickets and an interview in the newspaper.

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Jap Radio Packs Wallop For Boys In Alaska, Returned Sergeant Says

Blows Aimed At Morale Really Help

S. Sgt. Herbert E. Berner, at present with the Casual company at Fort Benning, was stationed in Alaska for 11 months and never once saw an igloo.

He stated yesterday that rather than houses made of ice, the Alaskan had modern homes with refrigerators, electric lights, ranges, washing machines, mangles, mixers and a great many other conveniences.

Sergeant Berner is 33 years old and originally from St. Louis, Mo. In civilian life he was a private investigator, and after arriving in Alaska on May 21, 1942, the army placed him in the intelligence service.

While relating some of his experiences in the Far North, Sergeant Berner said that on their first arrival the soldiers worked 24 hours a day to build their post. The recreation building was made from piling wood the men had salvaged along the beach. This served as a church, theater and sports arena.

BUILD TINY STATION
He said the only radios they had were small ones until the post commander and special service officer arranged to have a little radio station. This was made by the men, out of wire, tin, plywood and scraps. It was a two and one-half watt station and at times the soldiers would have to hold it together with their hands until it worked.

The station, however, picked up broadcasts from Tokyo, Sergeant Berner said, and these were found to be extremely amusing by the men in service.

A Japanese woman who spoke perfect English was the cause of a great deal of laughter. Instead of "breaking down the soldier's morale," as she anticipated, she boosted it, the sergeant said.

One story she told over the ether was that the United States was so hard up for scrap iron they had to tear down the Sixth avenue elevated in New York City. (This was torn down long before the declaration of war.)



SERGEANT BERNER Didn't See An Igloo

She also warned that the 4-Fs in this country were stealing all wives and sweethearts of the servicemen.

SEE THE STARS
Musicians and several orchestras also supplied entertainment over the small radio station. Such stars as Bob Hope, Jerry O'Connell and Marjorie Reynolds traveled to the post and put on wonderful shows.

"We'd broadcast any kind of an announcement," he added, "even if it was to locate a lost pocket knife, or call for a jeep."

Another form of recreation enjoyed by the soldiers, the sergeant said, was to listen to records donated by the chaplain of the post.

"Our station was in an old shack with a stove in the middle of the floor, and the records were filed in an old box which was thrown under the bed. When we wanted to use the records we dusted them off with a shoe brush."

The clothes worn by the Alaskans were mostly derived from mail order catalogues. They were extremely hospitable people and treated the soldiers with rare dishes of food such as roast potatoes, seal liver, sourdough hot-cakes, seal eggs and jelly made from salmon and moss berries.

RAIN AND COLD
The weather in Alaska was continually cold, rainy and foggy, with constant winds, Sergeant Berner recalled. "When we wanted to see a picture show, we would have to stand in line for hours in 13 below zero weather."

He continued that it wasn't unusual to see a man walking around with five or six thousand dollars in his pocket in Alaska during the fishing season. Some of the women make as high as \$1,800 in six weeks and the fishermen make a great deal more than that.

"With so much money in their pockets, they invest an enormous amount in War Bonds. They are also very active in the scrap

'Goldbricks' Far Fewer Than in 1918

Psychiatrists Try to Weed Out Mental Cases, Cure Habit in Others

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11 — In the armed forces of this war, there is a better understanding of the malingering—the man who feigns disability to avoid military duty—than during the last war.

As a result, military psychiatrists say, fewer malingerers are being classified this time as genuine "goldbricks," or outright liars.

In the last war, says Col. Roy D. Halloran, chief of the neuro-psychiatric branch of the army surgeon general's office, most men who feigned illness or injury were labeled as pure, unadulterated fibbers—and put in the ranks anyway.

Now, he says, psychiatrists generally hold to the concept that most malingerers can be classed as mentally sick men, whose lying is simply a symptom of an unstable personality—and efforts are made to eliminate them from the service either at induction centers or as soon as possible after they enter military life.

SOME 'GOLDBRICKS'
This concept, he said, did not spring up overnight. It had a limited acceptance during the first world war. But he said that during the last 25 years it became more generally accepted and applied by psychiatrists as a result of experience obtained in many cases where civilians feigned illness to get out of difficulties.

But there still are genuine "goldbricks" in the armed forces, he said—men whose lying is not the result of a mental quirk, but rather of laziness, ignorance, homesickness, apathy about the seriousness of war, or a temporary state of fear.

"But their number is almost negligible," he said, "because some of them can be made into first-class soldiers as a result of heart-to-heart talks with doctors or unit commanders—or the threat of disciplinary action. There are relatively few outright ornery ones who have to be discharged."

LOW IN NAVY, TOO
Navy psychiatrists say the number of true malingerers in that service is also low.

Both army and navy doctors declare that in addition to the process of eliminating the psychopathic malingerers, there is another factor that tends to keep the number of fakers low in both branches of the service.

Potential dodgers, they contend, apparently have come to realize that examining doctors have ways of finding out trickery. X-ray, the principles of anatomy, a knowledge of the true symptoms of diseases, and a few tricks not found in the medical books—all these are the equipment of the examiner in dealing with the malingeringer.

What are some of the "dodges" employed and how do the examiners ferret them out?

Articles appearing recently in the Military Surgeon and the U. S. Naval Medical Bulletin point out some of them.

It is a paradox that while most malingerers are mental misfits, very few of the entire number feign mental illnesses. They try to show leg injuries, rashes, paralysis, partial or total blindness and deafness.

Some men have been known to inflict wounds on themselves with gun or knife.

Sometimes they consume boxes of cathartics to produce symptoms of dysentery, and at times, men have displayed various bruises as "proof" of shammed epilepsy.

Even when a man is believed to be faking any kind of disability, the examiners give him the benefit of doubt.

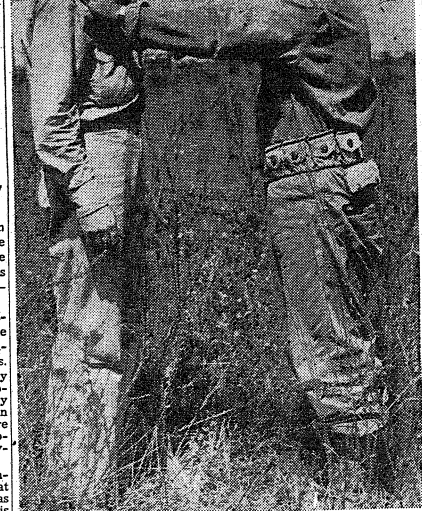
"Careful investigation, exercise of psychiatric and psychological judgment must be exerted in all cases," says Major Brussel. "The attitude to be adopted is that the patient is innocent until proved guilty."

drives, just as we are here in the States.

The Alaskan feeling against the Japs, he said, is perhaps stronger than ours because they have had so much trouble with them in the past over trading rights. The Alaskan soldiers is a natural born scout and a sturdy sharpshooter. He is at home on boat or on the trail.

"There used to be an old man near our camp," he related, "who was called 'Chris the Whaler.' No one there ever knew him by any other name. Even his social security card was made out bearing since that time."

"He turned this over to the army and it proved to be of inestimable value to them. This is just one instance of how our Alaskan brothers are among the best of the army," Sergeant Berner concluded.



A lover at Fort Benning for a few hours gave Private Thomas Buckley an opportunity to visit his brother, Capt. John W. J. Buckley, whom he had not seen in fourteen months.

Private Buckley, member of a Military Police escort company which brought some Italian prisoners of war to the post recently, told his officers he had a brother at the post. Since the group was to leave in a few hours, it called for some hurried work.

Through the cooperation of the Post Public Relations Office and the Infantry School P. R. C., Private Buckley met his brother on Bouton Hill on the reservation where the captain, a member of the advanced officers class, was engaged in a problem.

The captain, a member of the 15th Company, First Student Training Regiment, and private have been separated in service but their meeting here gave them about ten minutes to talk about old times.

When ten minutes were up, the captain had to call the visit short as he had a graded test to face and the private had to rush back to Columbus to meet his outgoing train.

Patients Give Variety Show

"You'll Never Know," as sung by Pvt. Frank Holley, could mean more to the just how much "I Love You," to those of you who missed "Harmony Folies," it means you will never know how much fun and entertainment you missed in not being there. This clever "Folies," was written, staged and produced by the patients in Station Hospital Unit No. 2, and ran the gamut of entertainment from hill billy music to clever comedy skits based on the friendship between Hitler and Mussolini.

"Nursie, Nursie," the smash opening skit was one of the hilarious highlights of the evening. Felix Stritzler as the nurse with figure "complete" brought joy and consolation, to the patients in his ward.

The receiving ward presided over by "Capt." Pvt. Tom Glawinski disclosed in clever satire the "consideration and courtesy" extended to incoming patients.

The music was good. "I Just Kissed Your Picture Goodnight," as sung by Pvt. George Leventon; "You'll Never Know," by Pvt. Frank Holley, and the "South American Way," danced by the entire ensemble, were numbers not to be easily forgotten.

Special credit for this "Folies" must be given to S. Sgt. Charles Maillet, who originated the ideas for the skits and with Pvt. Char. Forness.

Colonel Landis Visits Lawson

Colonel Reed G. Landis, recently named commanding officer of the Third Troop Carrier Command with headquarters at Stout Field, Indianapolis, Ind., paid his first visit to Lawson TCC, Friday, a component of the First TCC, Friday. Col. Landis' one day visit was for the purpose of making a routine inspection of the local base and troop carrier units stationed at Fort Benning.

He was accompanied by Major Alexander Couch, plans and training officer of the First Troop Carrier Command. Colonel Landis is the son of Baseball Commissioner Kennesaw Mountain Landis.

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